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DR. WILLIAM B. LIPPARD
Behind Barbed Wire With
Prisoners of War

Impressions of United States Army
Internment Camps for German
and Italian Prisoners of War

By William B. Lippard
(We present the first of a series of articles written by Dr. Wm. B. Lippard for the Magazine, "Missions," and reprinted by special permission. These articles were written after a tour of several camps for prisoners of war in our country. He pictures in detail the inside scenes in the prison camps. The next installment will appear next week. The Editor accompanied Dr. Lippard in his tour of the Prisoner of War camp near Clinton, and can vouch for the care with which reports are made of what is happening 'behind the barbed wire.'—Editor.)

Through the courtesy of the Provost Marshal General's office, arrangements were made and military credentials issued to me for visiting
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Southern Seminary Revises Curriculum

Dr. O. T. Binkley to Join Faculty

The time-honored Master of Theology degree will no longer be the standard three-year degree at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

The curriculum was revised at a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, to make the Bachelor of Divinity degree the standard, three-year degree, and elevating the Th.M. to a graduate degree requiring one year of study beyond the B.D. The Doctor of Theology degree will continue to require a minimum of one year of study beyond the Th.M.

Under the new curriculum, senior language courses will not be required, and students will have a wider field of elective courses from which to
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SOME GREAT BIBLE DOCTRINES **WHAT BAPTISTS BELIEVE ABOUT** **Eternity**

By R. A. MORRIS, Pastor
First Baptist Church, Newton, Miss.

(Below we publish the last of a series of articles on great Bible doctrines, precious to Baptists. They were written by Mississippians, who know and love Mississippi Baptist work.)



R. A. MORRIS

When we begin to study the matter of eternity we find we must go both backward and forward. We go backward beyond the beginning of time

as we know it. We also go forward past the end of time, as time is reckoned in this world.

The scriptures do not have much to say concerning eternity before time began. They do set out some things. God has always existed. He knows no beginning. He is not created, but self-existent. There is no period in history when we can say, "God began here, before this He was not." Certainly God existed before any of this universe came into being. Ps. 90:1-2. "Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God."

The Bible opens with the statement, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." John 1:1 says, "In the beginning was the word, and the word was with God, and the word was God, the same was in the beginning with God." We have but
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Sunday Marks Actual Start **Of Debt Paying in Special** **Offerings**

The first Sunday in June is the big day which marks the actual beginning of the June Victory Debt-paying effort to rid Mississippi Baptists of debt. The special offering to be taken in every church will be a "big push" toward victory. Hundreds of churches have written they will participate. Every Mississippi Baptist should have a part.

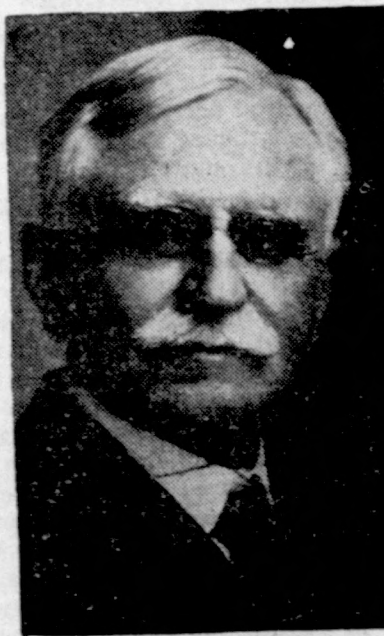
Since the last issue the following have written their intention of joining the victory march in this special offering in each church:

Association, pastor and church:
Mississippi—S. G. Pope, Mars Hill.
Leake—G. W. Smith, Walnut Grove.
Scott—G. W. Smith, Harpersville.
Greene—M. E. Perry, Fellowship.
Greene—M. E. Perry, Leaf.
Greene—M. E. Perry, Leakesville.
Greene—M. E. Perry, Pine Level.
Calhoun—J. D. Walker, Calhoun City.

Calhoun—J. D. Walker, Sabogula.
Calhoun—J. D. Walker, Bethel.
Jones—R. R. Darby, Fairfield.
Calhoun—L. F. Haire, Bruce.
Bolivar—J. W. Sturdivant, Merigold.
Bolivar—J. W. Sturdivant, Morrison Chapel.

Jeff Davis—W. L. Sewell, Prentiss.
Simpson—Guy A. Little, Pinola.
Simpson—Guy A. Little, Goodwater.
Simpson—Guy A. Little, Spring Hill.
Greene—John I. Hill, Johnson
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Mississippi Mourns Death of **Dr. Lowery**



DR. W. T. LOWERY

Dr. W. T. Lowery, formerly president of colleges in Mississippi for more than half a century and president of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee, continuously since its founding until January 13, 1944, when he was made president emeritus by the hospital board, died Sunday, May 28, at Waco, Texas.

Dr. Lowery had been in ill health for the last few years. He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Mrs. John H. Buchanan, Birmingham, Alabama, and Miss Sara Lowery, Waco, Texas.
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NBC Broadcast Quoted

(Believing that the people would like to read some of the report of the Southern Baptist Convention made over the National Broadcasting Company by Walter Van Kirk, we quote from that broadcast in part.—Editor.)

The president and presiding officer of the Convention is the colorful former Governor Pat Neff of Texas. As I watched him wielding the gavel I saw the Southland in action on the religious front. The Governor looked for all the world like a picture taken right out of the family album of the Lone Star State. His face gives the appearance of having been chiselled out of the granite of Baptist principles and precepts.

Six thousand people had assembled in Municipal Auditorium when Governor Neff opened the Convention.

In his opening statement to the Convention Governor Neff made clear the fact that he is not ashamed of his religion. Southern Baptists, he said, have the responsibility of leading the Christian forces of the nation in an old fashioned revival.

... Baptists are among the staunchest defenders of the principle of religious freedom that you will find anywhere in the world. In our own country this concern goes back to the days of Roger Williams who was driven by persecution to seek refuge
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Fuller and Bailey Are Speakers **At Blue Mountain** **Commencement**

At the commencement of Blue Mountain College, Dr. E. A. Fuller preached the baccalaureate sermon, and Governor Thomas L. Bailey made the address.

Forty graduates from nine states and one foreign country, received the bachelor of arts degree. The diplomas were presented by President Lawrence T. Lowrey. Dr. Fuller bespoke a "life of coherence, a well-ordered life—a medley and not a mess," and adjured the graduates to "make your lives epistles of truth." Gov. Bailey challenged the class to dare to be trail blazers, to assume individual responsibility, and "to join in the great enterprise of a better Mississippi and a better Southland."

The annual meeting of the National Alumnae Association of the college, was held Saturday, at which classes of 1894 and 1939 held class reunions.

Graduates receiving degrees were: Mary Louise Agnew, Bethany; Ruth Carmen Allen, Indianola; Wilma Bonner, Overt; Dorothy Clark, Ruth; Lura Elizabeth Clark, Jackson; Miriam Cooper, Cairo, Illinois; Annie Marie Crane, Pascagoula; Alice Marguerite Davis, Lebanon, Missouri; Sarah Frances Diaz, Tampa, Florida; Lynn Duff, Pontotoc; Ruth Evangelina Garcia, Buenos Aires, Argentina; Erin Trusty Guyton, Blue
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Sparks & Splinters

We are grateful for the splendid offerings that have been forwarded to the Orphanage and also through the Convention Board office for the special Mother's Day offering for the orphanage. If your offering has not been taken, it is not too late. We hope to publish a complete list of contributions in the Record at an early date. We know you will want to be among the list of contributors.—W. G. Mize, superintendent.

Fayetteville, N. C.—(RNS)—The Fayetteville Ministers Association in urging local citizens to observe Invasion Day asks that prayers be said for overcoming the "evils we condone in our society" here at home as well as for an early solution to the problems abroad.

Rev. Erwin L. McDonald, a former Arkansas newspaper editor and for the past year instructor in journalism at Ouachita Baptist College, Arkadelphia, Ark., has been named publicity director at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The Rev. Mr. McDonald is a graduate of Arkansas Polytechnic College, Russellville, and of Ouachita College.

Twenty-three people at Salem church, Covington county, recently completed the Sunday School study course book, "The True Functions of the Sunday School." B. H. Benton, pastor at Taylorsville, taught the book. Reese Rogers is pastor.

Linn church, Sunflower county: Our offering for the Orphanage on Mother's Day was \$33.40. We have voted to give \$75.00 or more to the Debt Campaign in June.—Mrs. E. C. Cotten.

We have just had a successful Vacation Bible school at Taylorsville. There was an average attendance of 75. Miss Lottie Mayfield was principal.—B. H. Benton, pastor.

This business of being debt free is contagious. Now that Southern Baptist boards are all debt free, our colored brethren have caught the fever. The Sunday School Publishing Board of the National Baptist Convention became debt free on April 7. This Board owns a structure in downtown Nashville, Tenn., which houses its publishing plant including some of the most modern machinery. It is the largest and most complete institution of its kind owned by negroes anywhere in the world.

James C. Colgate, one of America's financiers and a distinguished Baptist layman, died at the age of 80 on February 26, 1944. Throughout his life three Baptist institutions were continuous recipients of his generous gifts. He did not forget them when he died. In his will he left \$25,000 to the New York Baptist City Association; \$100,000 to Colgate University; and \$100,000 to Riverside church of New York City, of which he was a member.

Mississippians will be interested in reading of the recent revival in the First church of Umatilla, Florida. Carl E. Bates (Mississippian), pastor of First church, Leesburg, Fla., was the preacher. Quite a number were added to the church by baptism, letter and statement.

Dear Dr. McCall: Please send me 100 envelopes to be used in the June debt paying campaign. Also send me 50 each of the pamphlet "God's Message to Me on Stewardship" and "Are You Saved or Lost?" Thanks.—B. E. Padgett.

Dear Dr. McCall: Just a few lines to let you know we are planning to have a part in the Offering for June in the Debt-Paying Campaign. We are trusting it will be a success.—Rev. J. H. Sherman.

Wildwood Baptist Church of Humphreys county, whose pastor is Rev. J. R. Lee, sent an offering of \$6.36 to the Orphanage as their Mother's Day contribution.

Lambert: Our revival begins June 4. Rev. A. B. Pierce of New Albany will do the preaching.—R. W. Porter.

Our offering for the Orphanage was \$300. Other special offerings during the year were \$200 and \$150, respectively. We are planning to observe debt paying day in June.—C. M. Day, pastor.

Water Valley: Our attendance continues good and the prayer meeting attendance stays above 100.—W. C. Howard, pastor.

After 37 years of faithful service, Dr. Jeff D. Ray is retiring from the faculty of Southwestern Seminary. He is a brother beloved by every student this institution has ever had. He declared that now at 83 years of age he proposes to do some reading and writing that has been long neglected.

Dr. B. C. Land has been elected as Superintendent of Stewardship and Evangelism for Florida Baptists. This department is supported jointly by R. G. LeTourneau and the Florida Baptist Convention. In order to accept this work, Dr. Land resigned his pastorate of Riverside church, Tampa, Fla. He was at one time pastor at Quitman, Miss.

Forty-eight additions—36 by baptism and 12 by letter—were received into the West Corinth Baptist Church in the revival meeting conducted by Dr. V. Ward Barr. The church was filled at the morning services, and overflowing crowds attended all the evening services. Dr. Barr's messages on fundamental doctrines of the faith greatly strengthened the entire membership of the church.

To the praise and glory of God, in the last two revivals conducted by Evangelist Hyman Appelman, there were more than 125 additions in the eight days' campaign in the Main Street Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida, and over 140 additions in the six days' campaign in the Calvary-Latonia Baptist Churches, Covington, Kentucky. The honorary degree of D. D. was conferred upon Evangelist Appelman by the Western Baptist Theological Seminary. After the graduation of this school, Appelman preached Sunday morning and afternoon in the Hinson Memorial Baptist Church, Portland, Oregon, where 53 responded to the gospel invitation.

Rev. R. E. Morrison of Collierville, Tennessee, has accepted the pastorate of Tyro church, Tate county.

Dr. Henry Pitney Van Dusen has been elected as President of the Faculty of Union Theological Seminary. He will succeed Dr. Henry Sloans Coffin who will retire in 1945 because of the age limitation.

Dr. Claud Bowen, pastor Calvary church, Jackson, was re-elected as a member of the Committee on Radio at the recent meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlanta.

An excellent coloring book, YAKALO by Dorothy Greenbock and Emmy Lou Osborne has just come from the Moody Press, 153 Institute Place, Chicago, Ill. Children will enjoy it. The price is 35 cents. It is excellent Missionary material.

Salem Church, A. A. Jackson, pastor, is in Leake county and not at Hillsboro, Scott county, as indicated in a recent issue of The Baptist Record. The pastor recently led them to go from quarter to half time preaching, double the budget, increase the Cooperative Program by 100 percent, and adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record. They now have 38 Record readers whereas they did have none.

A hundred kits for Russia were packed and shipped last week by the Women's Missionary Society of First Church, Senatobia. All the material for these was contributed by Deacon M. P. Moore.

A strong address by Rev. C. J. Smyly of Blue Mountain and a study of Galatians, chapters 4 to 6, by Dr. J. W. Lee of Batesville, Rev. J. B. Ray of New Albany and Rev. A. H. Childress of Coffeeville featured the meeting of Northwest Mississippi Pastors' Conference at Sardis May 23. President A. T. Cinnamond of Senatobia presided, Rev. Claude L. Howe of Strayhorn led the opening devotions and Rev. J. B. Middleton was most gracious as host pastor. Emphasis was placed on the June Debt-Paying Offering and the conference voted to recess until Sept. 12.

Although Senatobia Baptists have already given more than their quota to the Now Club, they did not wait for June to begin their Victory offering. Envelopes were distributed a week in advance and the offering began last Sunday.

In a note asking for a change in address, Francis E. Trevillion SF 1/c, Port Hueneme, Calif., says: "I want to thank the ladies of First Church in Vicksburg, for sending me The Baptist Record. It is the only paper through which I can find out what the churches back home are doing. I am enjoying the articles from the different pastors. I read the paper and then pass it around the barracks, and most of the men read it. They like a paper like this to read."

Captain Solon Cole, formerly chaplain at Keesler Field, Miss., now overseas, sends greetings to his Mississippi friends, mentioning Fred Langley, G. C. Hodge, D. A. McCall, Glen E. Wiley and others. He recently attended the annual English Baptist convention, describing it as a 'great meeting.' He adds: "You Mississippi Baptists are doing a great work. I wish you could see the way the men attend worship here. Many are being won. God bless the Editor for the good 'Baptist newspaper' he is giving us."

Marion: Recent guests at our church included Dr. Hendon M. Harris, Dr. Scotchie McCall, and Dr. John L. Hill. My father is to preach in our meeting from July 6 to July 14. Attendance at all services and all organizations has steadily increased. A long line of good pastors and a number of very fine Christian members and the blessings of the Lord are responsible for the smooth paths I follow here. — Don Jones, pastor.

W. A. Gill, Jr., director of Music at Immanuel church, Baton Rouge, La., is available as an evangelistic singer during the months of June, July, and August. His father is the beloved pastor of East McComb church.

Friends are congratulating Rev. and Mrs. Wyatt Hunter on the arrival of Wyatt Raymond Hunter on May 24. Fisherman's scales indicate his weight as 9 3-4 pounds.

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TIGHTENING OF SABBATH OBSERVANCE URGED BY SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIANS

Atlanta, Ga.—(RNS)—Moves to tighten Sabbath observance are urged upon the church in a report of the Permanent Committee on the Sabbath, presented to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States (Southern) at Montreat, N. C., May 25-30.

Deploing the "lack of militant concern" by church leaders and members toward "increasing disregard and violation of the Sabbath law," the committee urged ministers to preach more frequently on Sabbath observance, and that this theme be included in Sunday School lesson material. It is suggested that Sunday, Sept. 24, be set aside as "Sabbath Observance Day" and that one year be set apart for "church-wide study of the Lord's Day."

The committee proposed, also, that the General Assembly issue a protest against the seven-day work week, and the holding of military maneuvers, scrap collections, and political conferences on Sunday.

—BR—
THINGS I MISS

I miss a certain little lady
The dearest one of all,
The one who kissed the tears away
When I would run and fall.

I miss those lovely hands of hers,
The ones I love to touch.
I miss the lady in all my dreams,
The lady I love so much.

I miss the way she looked at me,
The beauty of her eyes.
I miss the love her heart pours forth,
The tear drops when she cries.

I miss the thrill of loving her,
The arms which held me tight.
I miss the stories she told me—
Stories told me at night.

I miss the pleasant way she speaks,
The voice that is so sweet.
She has a disposition which
Is somewhat hard to beat.

I miss the folks I left behind
And all my friends so true.
I miss the traffic of the streets
And every avenue.

I miss the songs the birds would sing
Throughout the livelong day,
The moving grain, the corn so tall,
The smell of new-mown hay.

I miss the thrill of hunting game,
The fright of Mallard duck.
I miss the fishing trips we'd take
Regardless of our luck.

I miss the winter and the spring,
The summer and the fall;
Those things you don't appreciate
Until you've missed them all.

I miss so many other things,
Yet there is no other
That I could possibly miss any more
Than my own sweet darling Mother.

—Written in hospital by Pvt. Leroy Morris, in combat many times in South Pacific.

CIRCULATION THIS WEEK
41,050
A GAIN OF 363 SINCE LAST REPORT

Paul's Method: "I kept back nothing that was profitable, but have shewed you and taught you publickly, and from house to house." Acts. 20:20

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:—
"LOVE NEVER FAILS"
I Cor. 13:8b

Jackson 105, Miss., May 27, 1944.

Miss Eunice Sandlin, Office Secretary
Miss Bess Eva Schilling, Bookkeeper
Dear Fellow Helpers:

I am asking that you give to Editor Goodrich, publicity director for the June Victory Debt-Paying Campaign, a weekly list of churches actually contributing to the Campaign, as shown by receipts at this office.

We will continue this through the issue of July 13. I feel the bulk of the special June Now Club Offering should be in by that time.

Thanks.

Blessings upon you.

Yours in Service,
D. A. McCALL.

DAMc-nam
cc-Editor Goodrich

We are preparing to send out some State Mission figures in a tract that will go all over Mississippi. These figures, picturing the work of our Lord Jesus Christ over this state, will be woefully incomplete because we lack printed minutes from the following associations: Bolivar, Carroll, Choctaw, Gulf Coast, Kemper, Lebanon, Leflore, Monroe, Neshoba, Clarke, Noxubee, Perry, Scott, Winston, Liberty and Pearl Valley. If they have been sent, they were lost en route. We have always considered it as much of a sin to cut short the testimony of Jesus as to exaggerate that testimony. Each is a falsehood. We think it should be just right.

We will appreciate it if someone would send us a copy of the minutes of each of the above associations. Where association minutes are not printed, a statistical table giving the totals in each item would serve something of the same purpose. Dr. Alldredge recently wrote us somewhat frantically for copies of certain of our association minutes, as his file was not complete for Mississippi. He prepares figures that go around the world, and which will last for a long, long time. Manifestly, he never did complete his file because the figures he has sent out—for instance, giving mission contributions, etc.—total much less than we actually received and disbursed through this office. We feel sure, also, the list of baptisms is just as incomplete. Dr. Alldredge is not responsible as, like us, he can work with only the materials available. We do not believe many of our pastors and association workers realize the value at stake in this matter.

I.

Dr. Wallace Bassett, Cliff Temple Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas, agrees to come to us for our great Evangelistic Conference at Clinton, March 5-8, 1945. This completes our corps of out-of-state speakers for that meeting.

II.

We are beginning to feel the effects of the paper shortage in other ways, such as stationery and tracts.

We have always felt that every request deserved a reply. We shall more and more use postal cards. Where requests are made for materials, we shall send the materials without the usual courtesy reply. We feel you will want this done.

Dr. W. H. Davis, Louisville, gives the finest interpretation we have heard in treating the passage of Scripture regarding 'tongues,' 'women speaking in churches,' 'love' and other subjects as found in I Corinthians. It is the only one we have heard that sounded, felt and seemed right throughout! Strange how some smart men differ! The Holy Spirit is not leading somebody. We do not think He leads in two antagonistic interpretations.

When we give you figures you may rest assured they are authentic. They are not 'juggled.' We cannot give all the figures on our books—too voluminous. We do give you the ones in which we think you are most interested. Some day some of us may learn to take the Bible for what it says. "But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another." Galatians 5:15. Such spirit has already and always will take heavy toll.

Rev. Homer Ainsworth, Clinton, was given a nice birthday surprise party by his wife and friends. He is a church and community asset in a big way. First Presbyterian, Jackson, gave us a warm welcome at a prayer meeting while Dr. Lowe was away. This is a strong church!

Scooba Junior College had fine graduating classes despite war inroads. Professor Tubb is leading in a good program. We were happy to see Pastor Miller for a short visit.

Oakdale, Rankin county, had an interesting service with an Orphanage offering.

Superintendent Barnett, Tylertown, with his helpers, led in a fine graduation service. Good class, though small. We had the privilege of brief fellowship with Dr. W. R. Cooper, Rev. W. L. Cooper, etc.

Dr. Bowen Dees made an excellent address to two graduating classes at Clinton. Professor Lassiter was happy over the year's work.

Clinton Baptists are delighted with their new leaders, Dr. and Mrs. John Newport. We hope to hear him by the time you read this.

We must remember in comparing 1944 figures (receipts) with 1943 figures that 1943 was the best year in our long history. That simply means we must be GOOD now to excel the contributions and work generally of last year.

You may also be assured of the fact that there is no 'juggling' or 'manipulating' of the figures. We give them to you just as they come from the books.

Figures count! We should count! Our Lord should be able to count on us!

Paul's Message: "Testifying both to the Jews, and also the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." Acts 20:21

III.

The dedicatory service at Daniels church, near Jackson, was well attended. Brother C. S. Thomas is the splendid pastor. We were in Florida some time ago at a church where he was formerly pastor and did a good work. Some of the saints have wrought well at Daniels. Five additions.

Briar Hill, Rankin county, has had excellent pastors. They continue that stride with Dr. R. B. Gunter as pastor. Despite hard rains many were present. The writer and his wife enjoyed the hospitality of the Gunter home for the evening meal. A lovely couple and lovely home!

IV.

Never in the history of our work have we had so many calls for tracts on Evangelism, Baptist Faith, Cooperative Program, Stewardship, Missions, etc. That you may see just how definitely people are interested in the great program of the King we quote below a few of the requests:

"Dear Friend in Christ Jesus: I got your letter stating you have some tracts on hand for distribution. If you will send some of them to me I will hand them out—they might be of great service."—O. F. Dendy.

"Dear Dr. McCall: The titling leaflet and the tract, 'Every Sunday School Officer and Teacher a Personal Soul Winner,' by Appelman, and the tract 'Are You Saved or Lost?' by Dr. Scarborough, are splendid. I would like to have 25 of each for distribution. God bless you in your fine work."—Robert Hughes.

"Dr. McCall: I received the tracts and enjoyed reading them so much and our church will be very glad to have tracts any time you send them. I am sure everyone will enjoy them. Thanking you in advance, I am, your friend, Mrs. M. W. Still."

"Dear Sir: I would thank you very much if you would send me some of those tracts. I feel that they may help someone along the way. Thank you very much."—Miss Estelle Sanders.

"Dear Dr. McCall: I have just received your titling leaflet and tract 'Every S. S. Officer and Teacher a Personal Soul Winner.' I feel we could, profitably, use about 30 of each. Please mail them at once if available. We plan to contribute to the June 'Debt-Paying' effort."—J. S. Dorroh.

VI.

SUMMARY OF TEN YEARS' GAINS 1933-1942

by

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS

Baptisms

Total baptisms in ten years	2,209,553
Average baptisms year by year	220,955
Net gain in church members	1,300,989
Average annual gain in church members	130,098

Sunday School

Net gain of Sunday schools	3,214
Net gain of Sunday school enrollment	379,460
Average annual net gain of Sunday schools	321.4
Average annual net gain of Sunday school enrollment	37,946

Vacation Bible Schools

Vacation Bible Schools in 1932	585
Vacation Bible schools in 1942	7,112
Net gain in ten years	6,527
Average annual gain	652

Baptist Training Union

Gains in the number of B. T. U. organizations	21,523
Average annual gain in B. T. U. organizations	2,152
Gains in B. T. U. membership	217,725
Average annual gains in membership	21,772

Every parent should read "The Truth About Juvenile Delinquency." Every boy and girl should do likewise. It is a startling revelation with a reasonable remedy. The author is Dan Gilbert and the price is 35 cents. It may be ordered from the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich., or your Baptist Book Store.

Stockholm (By Wireless to RNS)—German authorities in occupied Hungary have extended measures against religious journals by ordering the suppression of publications issued by the Salvation Army and by Baptist congregations in Budapest, according to reports here.

At the recent commencement, William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity upon M. T. Rankin, the secretary for the Orient of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. Rankin was present and received the degree from the hands of President Walter Pope Binns.

Pastor R. W. Porter of Lambert reports increasing interest. On May 21 there were two additions and the best church congregation in months.

One of the employees at Baptist headquarters is giving half of her entire salary for the month on the special offering to retire debts on the Mississippi Baptist educational work. She is a constant supporter of all the work and this is an "over-and-above" love gift. This is Miss Lois Tyler, head of the mailing department and bookkeeper in The Baptist Record department. Miss Tyler has proved her loyalty and ability in this rapidly growing division of the work, and begins her second year with the department in June.

Kernersville, N. C.—With both white and Negro churches cooperating, invasion eve prayer services are being held here nightly. Church bells are rung for one minute at 7:30 p. m. to remind the public of the program.

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A WORTHY AND CHALLENGING GOAL FOR MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

Every Mississippi Baptist Church
contributing through:

1. The Cooperative Program.
2. The Now Club.
3. A summer assembly.
4. A State Brotherhood secretary.
5. A full-time worker with the Negroes.
6. A worker at Whitfield.
7. Two rural evangelists instead of one.
8. A full-time Indian worker.
9. A Baptist Building in Jackson.
10. At least ten enlistment pastors.
11. Enlarged soldier work.
12. Chinese worker.
13. Associational missionaries
14. Mississippi Baptists out of debt.
15. A Sunday school, a Training Union, a Missionary Union and a Brotherhood in every church.
16. The Baptist Record in every home.

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SENATOBIA IMPROVES D-DAY PRAYER PLAN

Senatobia—At the request of several ministers of Senatobia, Mayor Sam C. Stevens has issued a proclamation calling upon the people of the city to offer united prayer at 9 o'clock each morning for God's blessing upon our men and women in the armed forces and for an early and lasting peace. As a daily reminder of the prayer hour Sheriff Lester E. Samuels will have the court house bell ring each morning.

From one of our daily papers we learn as quoted above that Senatobia is not waiting for Invasion Day to start praying. Mayor Stevens asks that they pray NOW. And why not? We need prayer now, we need God's help now. If we will start our prayers now prayer will not seem strange on D-Day.

We favor D-Day prayer but we also favor Now Day prayers.

If God's people would fulfill the conditions of answered prayer, and if His kingdom could be furthered by not having the invasion, it might be that He would spare us that. One man who has returned from the overseas battlefields said,

regarding the invasion: "There will be dead piled on top of dead, piled on top of dead." But the basis of all prayer must be that whatever happens God's kingdom will be blessed. We may as well face the fact of that, in all our petitions. Prayer now, could, if it be God's will, lead Germany to surrender, and make the invasion unnecessary.

Waiting for D-Day to start praying reminds us of the boy and the preacher. When asked if he said his prayers at night he replied that he did. But when the preacher asked if he said his prayers in the morning, his reply was: "No sir, I am not afraid in the day time."

—BR—

BRETHREN, WE THANK YOU!

This issue of the Record has the final Doctrinal Article of the series that has been running since mid-January. We know of no article, or series of articles, that has brought forth as much favorable comment as have these contributions. They have been well prepared, and we hope, well presented.

We believe that these articles will result in better Baptists. We are not a crank about doctrine, but we do believe that Baptists as well as people of other denominations should be able to give a reason for the faith that is in them.

These brethren have helped to make Baptists better Baptists by presenting in frank, firm and simple manner many of the outstanding doctrines of Baptists. Mississippi Baptists are due them a debt of gratitude, and for every reader of the Record we extend to the writers of these articles our most sincere thanks.

—BR—

WHO CAN OFFER A BETTER ONE?

The women will usually fix things up in the right way when they get behind any movement. A striking statement symbolic of a wholesome, cooperative spirit that has not been excelled in all the correspondence regarding the retiring of state debts has come from the Woman's Missionary Society of the Shiloh Baptist Church in Calhoun county. It would be a good slogan for the whole state. Yet, the women, in their earnest way, simply wrote the sentence in their letter setting forth their loyal support, in line with all the great churches and small ones. The statement is, "While Shiloh church and our society have both given their quota, we wanted to help more. IT IS OUR DEBT, TOO, UNTIL ALL IS PAID."

How is that for a challenging

statement? "It is our debt, too, until all is paid." The article and the writer's name appear in the weekly report on Now Club progress elsewhere in this issue.

—BR—

ATTENTION, POSTMASTERS!

The Editor is glad to pass along a word of praise to those who handle the mail for the soldiers overseas. He also appreciates the kind words about the paper in a recent letter from Capt. Paul B. Cooper, chaplain in the armed service. He said in part:

"The Baptist Record reaches me with better regularity than any newspaper or magazine I get. I read it from cover to cover with great interest and profit. The series on the doctrines has been excellent. We need more of that. News items are also interesting. Congratulations on the great circulation. May it increase."—Paul B. Cooper.

—BR—

WILLIAM TYNDALE LOWREY

William Tyndale Lowrey, who went to be with his Lord soon after his 86th birthday, was a blessing to those who knew him, an honor to his state and an influence for good wherever he went. His hands were as clean as his look, as pure as the morning dew, and his walk as steady as the sun. His heart was uncorrupted, and his life a shining example.

He came of good, sturdy stock, and never did they have reason to shed tears over any failures or misdeeds of his.

His life was characterized by honesty, energy, sincerity and high purpose. He lived a full life. And only during the past few years when the passage of time took its toll did he lay aside his daily duties to rest in the reflected glory of a life well lived.

Probably no words in the Bible would better express his feeling during these last days than the words of the beloved Paul, "I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day, and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing."

The word "full" completely describes his life. His preparation was full—home, college, seminary. His experiences were full—president of Blue Mountain College (twice); president, Mississippi College; president, Gulf Coast Military Academy; professor, Ancient languages, State Teachers' College; president, Clarke College; teacher, Department of Christian-

ity, Mississippi College; vice president, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board; president, Board of Trustees, Baptist Orphanage; president, Board of Ministerial Education; president, Mississippi Baptist Convention; president, Board of Trustees, Baptist Memorial Hospital; pastor, Simpsonville and Cane Run, Ky.; pastor, Ripley, Blue Mountain, New Albany, Holly Springs, Olive Branch, Edwards and West, Miss.

Dr. Lowrey was passionately devoted to the cause of education. No community in Mississippi is without men and women who were blessed by his influence and teaching as an educator.

William Tyndale Lowrey wrote his name in shining letters on the pages of Mississippi history, both sacred and secular. We are poorer and Heaven is richer.

—BR—

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

MAKE IT A DAY OF PRAYER

Invasion Day, when it comes, will be a day of trepidation and anxiety for us here at home, our hearts tense with hope for the safety and success of the boys pouring ashore for decisive battles.

It should be also a day of prayer.

There is nothing we can do at that fateful hour more helpful to the soldiers so valiantly facing possible death, or more consoling to ourselves, than to lift our inner voices for a moment in prayer to the merciful God.

York, Pa., has taken a notable step in this connection. All industrial establishments there will close for a half-hour on the afternoon of invasion day, to permit workers to go to the churches of their choice to offer up prayers for our fighting men.

That is a fine idea. Probably it could not be put into effect universally because of the interruption to essential production it might cause, but it does suggest a plan that this and other communities could well afford to adopt.

Men, women and children should make a point of visiting their places of worship on D-Day, not necessarily at any appointed hour or at a time that would interrupt work or school schedules.

Bishop Hart has wisely called upon the clergy of the Diocese of Pennsylvania to have all the Episcopalian churches open every day in anticipation of the invasion, so that prayers may be offered before as well as at the time of that stupendous event.

Certainly all churches should be open to accommodate the people on invasion day. In some, services might be held with special prayer for the men overseas. But from all who visit their places of worship at that time there should be lifted on high a mighty torrent of supplication.

We will give our troops the tools of war they must have to vanquish the enemy. Let us give them also, in our compassion, our prayers.—Jackson Daily News.

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in Providence, Rhode Island. Since that time, both at home and throughout the world, Baptists have borne eloquent testimony to the inalienable right of men everywhere to worship God according to the dictates of their conscience. The special report on world peace declares that "every principle of Christianity and democracy demands the right of every individual to freedom of worship and the right to follow the dictates of his own conscience in respect to religious."

It was further declared that no peace terms will be adequate which either deny or obscure the principle of true religious liberty. The Convention took special note of the alleged interference in the work of Protestant missionaries in Central and South America. Reference was made to the declaration of the Roman Catholic hierarchy in the United States that Protestant missionary activities in Latin America were proving to be a disturbing factor in our international relations and were for this other reasons said to be "offensive to the dignity of our Southern brothers." The Convention answered this charge by declaring that Latin American business men, professional men and government officials had repeatedly voiced their appreciation of the unselfish labors of Baptist missionaries in that part of the world. Said the Convention: "We would maintain the right of American missionaries to be considered as American citizens on legitimate business, regardless of any religious affiliation. We claim the same right for American Catholic missionaries, or the missionaries of all faiths. If we lose in this spiritual battle, the future of full religious freedom in the Western Hemisphere and the world may be imperilled. We call on all American citizens and their elected representatives to be constantly on the alert against any tendency toward religious favoritism by our government."

In 1945 the Southern Baptist Convention will observe its centennial. The main drive of the celebration crusade will be evangelistic in character and will have as its aim the conversion of one million persons to the cause of Christ and His Church. In addition to evangelism the Crusade will stress Christian education and enlistment, missions, benevolences, stewardship and prayer.

... This Convention is in dead earnest about their matter of evangelism. It looks with the gravest possible concern on the widening influences of secularism in the public and private life of the nation and it sees the war and the peace as lost unless to military victories there is added the victory of righteousness in home and community and in the councils of the mighty.

One of the highlights of the Convention was the presentation of missionaries. Among those evangelists were men and women from China, Nigeria, Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Manchuria, Palestine, Yugoslavia and Rumania. Many of these missionaries had been driven from their fields of labor by the war. Some of them had returned to the United States on the Gripsholm. In deep emotion and sometimes with broken voices they told of damage done to Christian churches, schools and hospitals by bombs and by the armies of aggression. But Baptists say they know they are engaged in laying the foundation of an inde-

SOME GREAT BIBLE DOCTRINES

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little revealed of the activity of God in eternity before time. The Bible reveals that even then He made His decrees in the council of heaven. His plans for this universe, and for man were made in eternity, and time sees the carrying out of those plans. Redemption was also planned in eternity. Rev. 13:8 tells of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. This fact of an eternal God, who in eternity worked out His purposes; who even then determined to save men; who then loved men and gave His Son to be their Saviour is one of the truths of the Bible that greatly strengthens our faith. We do not worship a temporal and changing God, but one who is the same yesterday, today, and forever. That gives us a firm foundation for our faith.

We are more concerned personally about the future phase of eternity. The question of immortality is bound up with it. Our minds and hearts naturally inquire whether there is any existence after death; if there is any such thing as eternity. The harvest of death in the world today makes this one of our pressing questions. The expression eternal, or everlasting life, was often on the lips of Jesus. He promised eternal life to those who believe. This eternal life is the sustaining hope of the Christian.

This world as we know it will not go on forever. It is moving toward an end. II Peter 3:8-10 pictures the destruction of this sin cursed world in flaming fire. This does not mean

structible kingdom. So there is no defeatism here in Atlanta about the future of the missionary enterprise.

The Convention listened to an address by Edward C. Carter, President of Russian War Relief. American war dead, according to Mr. Carter, totals about sixty thousand whereas in Russia fifteen million soldiers and civilians were said to have perished as a direct result of the war. Dr. Louie D. Newton of Atlanta told the Convention that last year Southern Baptist churches had sent 162 thousand kits to Russia and Mr. Carter said these kits had reached as many families in Russia and had caused such a measure of excitement as no American housewife could possibly derive from needles and thread, buttons, soap and socks.

Baptists in the armed forces of the nation are very much in the mind and heart of this great Convention. Some 471 thousand Southern Baptists are believed to be in the various branches of the army, navy, and air forces. As of April this year approximately one thousand Southern Baptist ministers had enlisted for service as chaplains and that five of these had already laid down their lives. A special committee was created by the Convention to handle the problem of reabsorbing these Baptist ministers into the life and work of the denomination once they are demobilized.

Regarding the friction between labor and management the Social Service Commission, through its chairman, Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon, recommended that Christian men and women participate in the task of adjusting differences between capital and labor, saying: "Only as we have men and women motivated by the Christian ethic in places of leadership in management and labor can we hope for industrial order." A strong stand was taken in this report against the liquor traffic.

annihilation. In II Peter 3:13 we read, "But, according to His promise, we look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness." On Patmos John saw a new heaven and a new earth, Rev. 21:1. This comes from God, and is eternal.

The world order for men comes to an end also. In Rev. 10:5-6 John saw an angel descend from heaven and stand with one foot on the land, the other on the sea and proclaim that time should be no more. Time ends with the return of Jesus and the judgment, but eternity stretches forever. Through eternity God reigns without opposition, for all foes will have been put under His feet.

We are concerned about the condition of men through eternity. In John 6:47 Jesus said, "He that believeth hath eternal life." He promised His disciples that He would come again for them and receive them unto himself, that where He was, they should be also. We call the place where believers shall ever be with the Lord in heaven. Just where that place will be we would not speak dogmatically, but we have seen intimations that there will be a renovating of this physical universe. There will be a new heaven and new earth for God's redeemed people.

We are told many comforting things about heaven. In that eternal home we will have complete deliverance from sin, for nothing that defileth can enter there. One of the sorrows of a Christian is the contact we necessarily have with sin. In eternity we shall be free from the presence of sin; and with our redemption complete sin shall have been taken out of us.

In eternity we shall have unhindered fellowship with God our Father and Jesus our Saviour. The imperfect fellowship we have here is the greatest joy a Christian knows. But it is often marred and broken by sin. There we shall see Him as He is and be like Him, transformed into His image. There God Himself shall dwell among His people. With this fellowship with God will go fellowship with all His people. The saints of all ages shall dwell eternally in the Father's house, and have fellowship one with another.

In eternity there will be freedom from many things that distress us in this world. All evil will be banished; God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes that we shall sorrow no more; there shall be no more painful partings; there shall be no curse any more; and death shall be no more.

Eternity will be a busy, happy time. His servants shall serve Him. What the form of all that service will be, we are not told. We do know it will be in harmony with the nature of God.

There is another side of eternity: the fate of the wicked. Rev. 20:10 tells us the devil shall be cast into the lake of fire and brimstone and tormented day and night forever and forever. Those who in life follow the devil, who do not believe on the Lord Jesus Christ shall be cast into the same lake of fire and brimstone, and also suffer everlasting punishment. The doctrine of the eternal punishment of the wicked is as clear and explicit as that of the happiness of the redeemed. Of the nature of that eternal punishment we can say no more than it will be in accordance with the sinner's sin, and the holy nature of God.

Our minds cannot grasp the onward

MISSISSIPPI MOURNS DEATH OF DR. LOWREY

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Texas; and two sons, W. T. Lowrey, Jr., New Albany, and Lieut. Searcy J. Lowrey of the U. S. Navy; two brothers, Dr. B. G. Lowrey of Olive Branch, and J. J. Lowrey, Memphis, Tennessee; and three sisters, Mrs. M. L. Anderson, Mrs. J. L. Graves of Mobile, Alabama, and Sallie Lowrey Potter of Clinton.

William Tyndale Lowrey was born May 3, 1858, near Booneville, Mississippi. He was the fifth of the eleven children of the Rev. Mark Perrin Lowrey and Sarah Holmes Lowrey. He was the oldest brother of Mother Berry of Blue Mountain College, who died January 31, 1942. Dr. Lowrey was one of the outstanding educators of the south, serving as president of Blue Mountain College 27 years, and of Mississippi College 13 years, and president of Hillman College, Gulf Coast Military Academy, and Clarke College for many years. He also has been president of the Southern Association of Colleges for Women. He has served as pastor of the following churches in Mississippi: Ripley, Olive Branch, New Albany, Holly Springs, Clinton, Edwards, West; and of the following churches in Kentucky: Simonville and Cane Run. He was president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention for two years. Dr. Lowrey also was the first chairman of the Mississippi Prohibition Committee that sponsored the effort that finally resulted in state prohibition. He was the first chairman of the board of trustees of the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, and was appointed by Governor Noel as a member of the board that organized State Teachers College (Mississippi Southern) at Hattiesburg.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in Clinton, with Dr. P. I. Lipsey officiating.

SUNDAY MARKS ACTUAL START OF DEBT-PAYING IN SPECIAL OFFERINGS

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Creek.

Jasper—J. E. Wills, Louin.

Marion—H. D. Jordan, Bunker Hill.

Lebanon—C. S. Moulder, Dixie.

Sunflower—Clark McMurray, Linn.

Union—B. E. Padgett, Hermanville.

Jeff Davis—Rev. B. E. Padgett, Antioch.

Jeff Davis—Rev. Joe W. Hudson, Bassfield.

Yalobusha—O. B. Robertson, Oakland.

Lowndes—W. L. Marsh, East Columbus.

Lebanon—A. C. Parker, Petal-Harvey.

Perry—W. E. Winstead, New Augusta.

Sunflower—L. J. Crumby, Inverness.

Hinds-Warren—D. Swan Haworth, Vicksburg First.

One of the fine young ladies listed among the graduates of Blue Mountain College is Miss Lucy Pettit of the Baptist Orphanage. Lucy has made her home in the Orphanage for twelve years, coming to the Orphanage from Yazoo City a full orphan without mother or father living. Lucy has already been elected to teach in the Flora high school for the next session. Another Baptist dividend from a good investment.

sweep of eternity, forever and forever, with no end. We do know the redeemed shall be with an eternal God and find the fulness and purpose of life in Him.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

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IN APPRECIATION OF MRS. CARTER WRIGHT

I know many of you will read the article below in your copy of Royal Service, but I am sorry so many of our women are not readers of that magazine. This is a beautiful tribute to a rare Christian by a rich child of God!

"Thou Hast Been Faithful"

Devotion and duty! Love and loyalty! Such words in their choicest and most constraining influence were lodestars in the personal and public life of Mrs. Carter Wright. Humanly speaking they account for her unexcelled influence among southern Baptist women as a student and teacher of the principles and practice of Christian stewardship, her steadfast work giving added weight to her words.

Born in Georgia, a graduate and speech teacher of Cox College, she went as a bride to Roanoke, Alabama, where for forty-five years she was a most cooperative member of the Baptist church. There on the golden morning of March 31 the community gathered to express its eternal indebtedness to her. Speaking in tender yet triumphant tones of her as a valued member of that church and community and also as a denominational leader through her work for Woman's Missionary Union, her pastor appropriately applied to her the praise of Jesus concerning the faithful steward: "Thou hast been faithful" Matt. 25:21.

Many other Scriptures are highly applicable to Mrs. Wright, the 24th verse of the 73rd Psalm being especially so. It was the verse on the Calendar of Prayer the morning (March 29) that she went to be "forever with the Lord." That Scripture says: "Thou shalt guide me with Thy counsel and afterward receive me to glory!" Steadily she sought to have and to follow God's guidance, even as countless coworkers will testify as to her eighteen years of W. M. U. leadership in Alabama and the south in addition to the many other years in her home church. Mrs. Wright was president of her state Union four years (1926-30) during which time she was Alabama's vice-president for the Southern Union. For the following eleven years she was the Union's representative and traveled literally thousands of miles to speak in W. M. U. meetings all over the south. During those years her versatile talents and faithfulness as a Christian steward led to her appointment as chairman of the Union's Ruby Anniversary (1928), then to the position of Southwide Stewardship Chairman (1934-44) and finally to the rank of W. M. U. Promoter for a Debtless Denomination (1940-43). The records of the Southern Baptist Convention and of the Union show that by God's guidance she led from victory to victory, the 1943 total being the largest ever contributed by her constituency.

As a trained speaker Mrs. Wright used with marked success stories from the Scriptures, from secular literature and from her own pen. Many of her writings, especially her stewardship

articles in the Union's magazines, have gone around the world to help countless others know how to have Jesus say also unto each of them; "Thou hast been faithful!" One of her most appealing Christmas offering stories, "The Elder Brother," was translated into Chinese and widely distributed. A copy was given to a non-Christian woman who in her remote village was afterwards found sharing it with her neighbors as food for their spiritually hungry souls.

Writing concerning Mrs. Wright many friends have thus paid tribute:

"Surely her account with the Lord was in perfect balance. She was steward also of the mysteries of God, the highest stewardship."

"God has received that marvelous spirit of hers unto Himself. I feel that I can almost hear the angels singing, she among them."

"She has been an inspiration to thousands and will be missed not only by the W. M. U. but also by the denomination. However, we would be selfish to wish her back, when she can be with her Lord whom she loved and served so joyously and faithfully."

"What is our loss is triumph and victory for her and Heaven."

"We rejoice over her abundant entrance into Heaven. How rich she now is with the treasures she has been amassing over there. Truly she could without shame give an account of her stewardship. So faithful was she—not because it is required that a steward be faithful but also because out of her love for her Lord she rejoiced in the opportunity."

"Her radiant service was so implemented in the life of Woman's Missionary Union and its service to the Kingdom that of her it can truly be said that she lives eternally here and There."

"Her gallant spirit is a challenge to us all. Her rich gifts were so completely dedicated to her Savior that I don't know of any Christian who will enjoy and appreciate Heaven more. She had an eager, questing soul and 'ran swiftly to the stars!'"

—Kathleen Mallory.

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

This is the title given by the Seminary W. M. S. in Louisville to their closing meeting of the current session. Some of the features may be suggestive and useful for other societies.

The retiring president, Mrs. Neiger, gave an excellent report for the year, showing the Standard of Excellence as met—showing it, literally, with gold seals abounding. (It was noticeable, by the way, that she spoke so as to be heard in the large room, which not all preachers' wives, even, take the trouble to do!) The devotional too! the form of a chalk talk by Mrs. Francisco, stressing humility of spirit in the desire for service. The "Changing of the Guard" is a ceremony which takes place at Buckingham Palace every eight hours. Mrs. W. B. Tatum, who wrote this part of the program, cleverly contrived a slightly military tone by using "Onward Christian Soldiers" as the march and by the calling

of "Attention!" as each group was addressed. (Mrs. T. C. Smith was an efficient captain of the guard.) The retiring officers marched up to the platform, where each was called on for a brief report of her work for the year, all seeming pleased at the progress shown. The incoming officers then marched to the platform, taking their places behind, the "captain" calling for the passing over of the lighted candles as the first group marched off. Before parting, the two groups recited together the pledge of allegiance to the flags: to the Christian Flag, to the Bible, also to the W. M. U. watchwords and to our "marching orders," the Great Commission. Both the outgoing and incoming presidents received the W. M. U. pin. A special prayer for the incoming officials was followed by the hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have," sung by a trio. Best wishes to Mrs. Matthews, the new president, and her corps of officers!

Being a Seminary W. M. S. they made room for words of appreciation to the faculty wives, emphasized by pinning a glowing carnation on each of them. Mrs. Ellis Fuller responded affectionately for all.

A pleasant surprise was a speech from a young man, the R. A. leader, Mr. A. T. Greene. He is leaving after commencement to be state R. A. leader for both the Carolinas.

Perhaps the most striking part of the occasion was a W. M. U. pin come alive, so to speak. The outline was a frame about six feet long, high in the air; in it were a real globe lighted inside, a real open book and a torch-shaped electric light above that. It was the work of Mrs. Tatum and her kind and skilful husband.

A reception followed in the Faculty Lounge. This is a pleasant room unused until lately, as the faculty take little time to relax, but the ladies can use it very nicely for social occasions like this.

May the writer say how her heart is thrilled to compare the fine, well-educated, happy young women—266 of them—now making this group, with the lonely, even forlorn women who were the students' wives of fifty years ago? She and her sister, Eliza, as daughters of a professor, used to seek them out in their wretched rooms round on a back street. Those women seldom had enough to live on comfortably, never got to go to classes in the Seminary even as visitors, knew no one, not even each other. Now, in the special buildings on the beautiful campus, the married couples can carry on capably and contentedly—only next year, for lack of space, all graduate students with families must move off the campus. But in cheerful Crescent Hill there will be suitable places found, no doubt, till more apartments can be built. The W. M. S. has been, ever since its organization here, a great benefit socially, intellectually, spiritually and shall we say professionally, training these young wives to be leaders, and deepening their own love for missions.

—Ella Broadus Robertson.

"DEFER NO TIME, DELAYS HAVE DANGEROUS ENDS"

When this issue of the paper reaches you, the month of June will have taken the place of May. Have you forgotten what a big task lies ahead of Mississippi Baptists this month? Of course not—We are going to finish paying our State Baptist Debt! DEFER no time in planning and paying because we have only 30 golden days in which to do it. A large number of our pastors are planning to lead their people in a debt-paying effort during the month. My pastor cannot have much success in his effort unless the members cooperate by making contributions; neither can your pastor. Be ready to have a part and lead other members to join with you.

Delays have dangerous ends! If we are not faithful to this obligation now while we have opportunity to unify our efforts and we fail to get rid of our hindering debts, some immortal soul will fail to hear the Gospel story!

So many ripe fields in Mississippi have had to wait because of lack of funds to enter them. 300,000 Baptists can do the job if we want to. I am counting on every missionary hearted woman to take part in the effort.

—BR—

MRS. GEORGE W. RUSSELL

Whereas, on April 5, 1944, the death angel visited the home of our friend and neighbor, Mrs. Geo. Russell, to bear her lovely spirit away to that home not made by hands but prepared by our Lord, eternal in the heavens:

It seems only yesterday, we saw Mrs. Russell going about her tasks with a kind word and a cheery smile to every one alike. To know her was to love her. She had a genuine heartfelt concern about all alike. We thought of Mrs. Russell as a fine Christian woman; but we did not realize her worth. She is gone, but she has not left us. Her influence and kindly smile will linger with us on and on. Never was a woman more devoted and sincerely interested in the church, Sunday school and W. M. S. Her encouragement toward the advancement of God's work in the Shady Grove community will never be erased.

Therefore, be it resolved by the Shady Grove W. M. S. that we do not sorrow as those who have no hope. For God giveth and He taketh away; blessed be the name of the Lord. Heaven has taken, but on our hearts has so deeply sunk the lesson of love and devotion that it shall never be forgotten. Sorrows laid a heavy hand on Mrs. Russell's life, but it only strengthened her spiritual life and she never faltered.

To the husband, children and friends who mourn her passing, may you think of her citizenship in heaven. "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and of the household of God." Eph. 2:19.

Therefore, be it further resolved, that we, a committee of Shady Grove W. M. S., wish by order that a copy of this be placed upon the minutes of the Shady Grove Baptist Church, a copy sent to her family and a copy sent to The Baptist Record for publication.

Lovingly submitted,

MRS. MATTIE LEE AMOS,
Chairman,
MRS. ALBERT GUYNES,
MRS. IRA CREWS.

GOING PLACES

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b:
"Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL."
Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."



H. W. ROBERSON

Circulation Manager Again
"Shown Up"

Lexington Is Number 733

We don't know how he did it but Pastor Homer W. Roberson of Lexington writes as follows:

"We are bringing to a close next Sunday one year of our ministry as pastor of this good and noble church. We feel that many worthwhile things have been accomplished in this first year as pastor of this fine church, but we feel that one of the greatest accomplishments was made last Sunday when the church adopted the E. F. Plan of The Baptist Record. We have been for this plan, whole soul and all, all the while but have waited until the opportune time to present it to the church. We have called upon the people to pray over this matter from time to time, always letting them know how we felt toward the plan. Some few weeks ago we asked the Board of Deacons in one of our business meetings to begin praying over the matter and when we had prayed it through we would take action upon it accordingly as God had led us. Sunday evening we presented the E. F. Plan and the deacons went on record as recommending it to the church 100%.

"We had several who said that we could not adopt the E. F. Plan. It had been recommended before to the people but somehow they did not feel led to adopt it. If you want to know how we succeeded in getting the plan adopted, I will answer without hesitation that 'Prayer did it.' It is my conviction that if we would pray more and talk less we would make progress in the Lord's work. Prayer will solve any problem, whether it be a church problem or some other. So I say to any church that has been unable to get the people to adopt the E. F. Plan to try praying over the matter. 'Prayer changes things.'"

Many months ago the circulation manager presented the EVERY FAMILY Plan to the deacons and later to the church but it did not do any good. It was probably a poor speech. But this pastor in a few months has led them to adopt it 100%. Orchids to the pastor and bitter weeds to the circulation manager.

Holmes county now has Record

readers as follows: LEXINGTON 97; CENTRAL 10; CRUGER 19; DURANT 130; EMORY 10; GOODMAN 34; HORSESHOE 16; PICKENS 30; PLEASANT RIDGE 34; TCHULA 29; WEST 26, and MT. PLEASANT 11.

Rev. R. G. Joiner Sends EVERY
FAMILY List

Rev. R. G. Joiner of Wayne county has sent an EVERY FAMILY list from Liberty church, Wayne County Association. Many pastors over the state are doing as Brother Joiner, leading their church to adopt the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan and avoiding the worry of renewals and the disappointments of uninformed Baptists.

Record readers in Wayne county are now listed as follows: BUCATUNNA 42; CLARA 44; MT. ZION 29; STATE LINE 44; STRENGTHFORD 11; WAYNESBORO 116; CLEAR CREEK 16; EVERGREEN 18, and LIBERTY 12.

Sellers Sends List

A recent letter from L. D. Sellers, pastor of Mt. Pisgah church, Carroll county, brings a nice list of subscriptions from that good country church. This is one of the leading country churches in that section of the state. They have half time preaching and a good Sunday school, Training Union and W. M. U.

Carroll county now has Record readers as follows: Avalon 2; Black Hawk 1; Coila 7; McCarley 3; MT. PISGAH 31 NEW SALEM 21; NORTH CARROLLTON 37; Providence 5; VAIDEN 42; Harmony 10; CALVARY 12; OLDTOWN 16 and Centerville 8.

Lively and Ray Make Good Team

Under the leadership of Enlistment Pastor J. B. Ray and Church Pastor Bilbo Lively, Mt. Olive church in Tippah county recently sent in a nice EVERY FAMILY list.

Having the EVERY FAMILY Plan in some of his other churches, Pastor Lively knows its value.

Tippah county now has Record readers as follows: CHALYBEATE 42; BLUE MOUNTAIN 126; Dumas 2; FALKNER 17; Fellowship 2; HARMONY 20; MT. HEBRON 18; MT. OLIVE 31; PINE GROVE 40; PLEASANT HILL 33; PROVIDENCE 32; RIPLEY 69; TIPLERSVILLE 21; WALNUT 43, and WHITTEN TOWN 9.

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Is Every Family No. 734

Recently Rev. C. F. Anglin, pastor of Covenant church, sent in a list of his families with a check to cover for one year. This is a most generous gesture on the part of this good pastor and will be money well spent. He is going to find that his people are better informed and more easily led than they have been without The Baptist Record.

Choctaw county Record readers are now listed as follows: ACKERMAN 77, Antioch 1, Bethany 8, Beulah 6, CHES-TER 38, COVENANT 14, Fellowship 2, Mt. Moriah 1, New Zion 1, MT. PISGAH 18, Providence 4, WEIR 60, Wood Springs 7, EBENEZER 14, Spring Hill 1, Concord 5, Bethlehem 1.

—BR—

TO THE MEMBERS OF COVENANT
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For the next twelve months The Baptist Record is to make a weekly visit into your homes, through the courtesy of your pastor.

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C. O. ESTES

MISSISSIPPIAN NOW CHAPLAIN

C. O. Estes, formerly pastor at Brooksville and Morton, has been commissioned as chaplain in the 5th Naval Construction Battalion Advance Depot, Davisville, R. I. Resigning as pastor of the church at Eagle Lake, Texas, Chaplain Estes, after a second attempt, was accepted in the services. Charles Culpepper, son of the missionary family in China, will act as pastor in his absence from Eagle Lake. Charles expects to go as a missionary, and it is understood that he has been accepted by the Foreign Mission Board, and is just completing his work at Southwestern. At Eagle Lake several Mexicans were baptized as a product of mission work, and the whole Mexican church were guests at the service.

—BR—

WEBB AND SUMNER CHURCHES
STRESS ATTENDANCE

The Baptist churches of Webb and Sumner, along with the Methodist and Presbyterian churches of the two towns designated Sunday, May 14, as "Go to Sunday School and Church Day." Plans were laid well in advance and included the printing of small tags with the words, "I'm Going to Church Sunday. Are You?" These were distributed to all the pupils in the schools who would agree to wear them. On Thursday afternoon before the special day, teams from the churches visited all the homes in the community, inviting people to the services and leaving tags to be worn Friday and Saturday. Every Sunday school showed a marked increase, from 50 to 75 percent in some instances, over normal attendance. Webb church led with an attendance of 100 out of an enrollment of 103, while Sumner was second with an attendance of 86. Friendship church, four miles from Sumner, though not included in the visitation program, had an attendance of 108. That the interest manifested on Mother's Day was not for the one day only was evident in the attendance records of May 21. Sumner had an attendance of 71, while Webb had 70 present. Prospects are bright for continued growth in both schools.—J. H. Pennebaker, pastor.

regularly and that you will receive as much inspiration as I receive from reading its pages.

Please remember that your pastor's heart is grieved when you fail to be at Sunday school every Sunday morning and at prayer services every Wednesday night.

C. F. Anglin, Pastor.

SOUTHERN SEMINARY REVISES
CURRICULUM

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choose.

For students who have not finished college, but who have a minimum of two years in college, the Seminary will continue to offer a three-year course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Theology. This course requires no languages.

A further change in the curriculum is the creation of a Department of Sacred Music, effective September 1, to be separate and distinct from the present Department of Music. The new department will offer a standard, three-year course open to both men and women and leading to the degree of Bachelor of Sacred Music.

Dr. O. T. Binkley, head of the Bible department of Wake Forest College, has been named associate professor and acting head of the Department of Sociology and Ethics at the Seminary. Doctor Binkley is a graduate of Wake Forest. He studied at the Southern Baptist Seminary and at Yale University, receiving the Ph.D. degree from the latter. He will begin his duties at the Seminary July 1.

Dr. Sydnor L. Stealey, for the last two years acting head of the Department of Church History, has been made professor and head of this department. Mr. Charles A. McGlon, who taught at the Seminary this year, is being made assistant professor in the Department of Public Speech.

The Board of Trustees has approved plans for a summer session of the Seminary for six weeks beginning on June 26. Five courses will be offered, with classes meeting four times a week.

Publication by the Sunday School Board of two books has been approved by the trustees. The books, recently revised by Dr. P. E. Burroughs, are: "Life of Broadus," by Dr. A. T. Robertson; and "Life of Boyce," by Dr. John A. Broadus.

—BR—

ELON MAKES FINE RECORD

Elon church, Noxubee county, is a country church with a program and a vision. Recently the Sunday school had every member present, and every class was 100% but one, and that was 93%. I think that is a believe-it-or-not record. This church is reaching better than 85% of all its possibilities, over a radius of from eight to 12 miles. In the last two years the church has had nearly 50 additions, most of these for baptism.

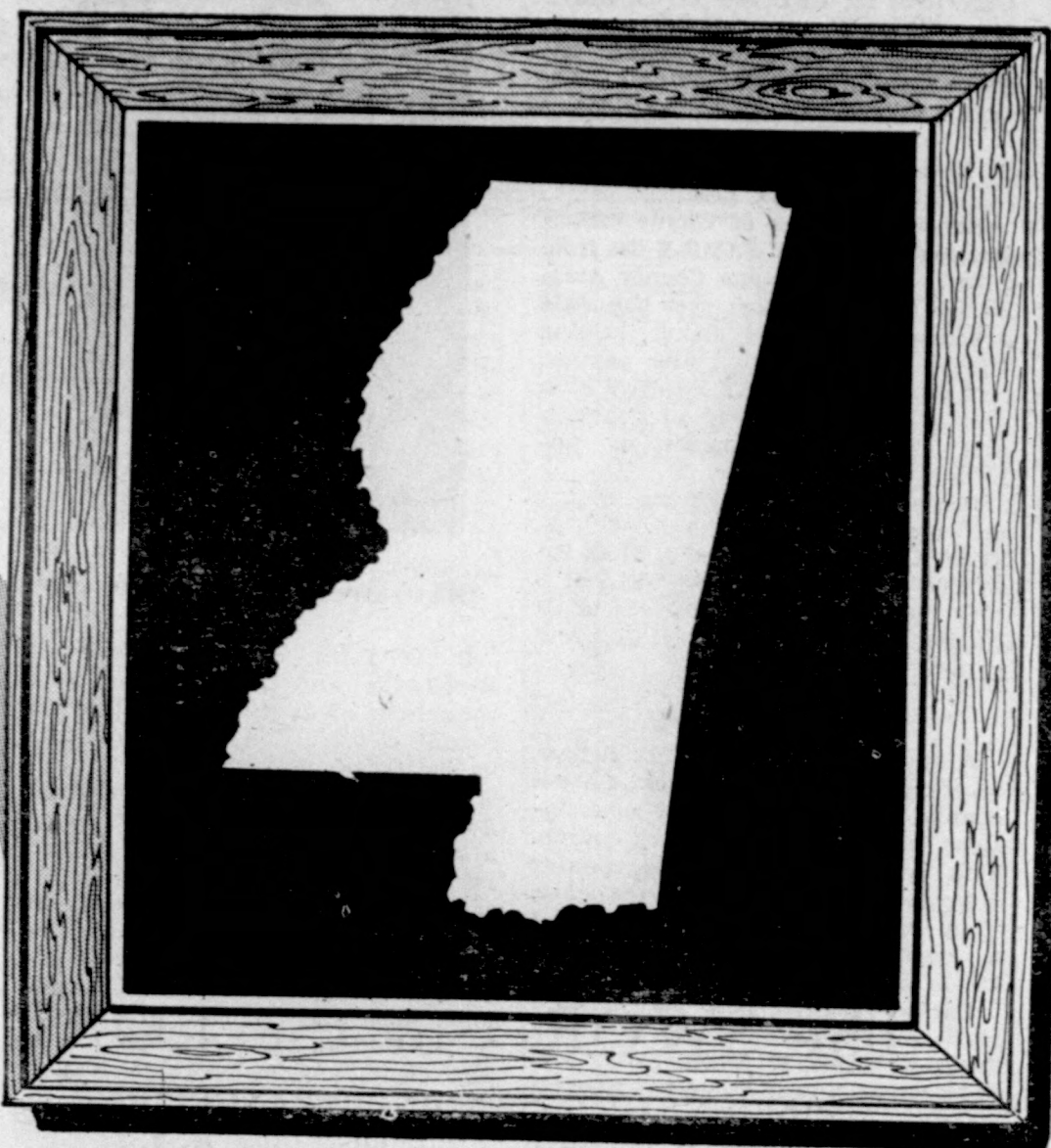
W. W. Martin, the superintendent of the Elon Sunday school, is loved by the entire community. They follow his leadership. About two years ago at the regular officers' and teachers' meeting he, the teachers and officers agreed there must be some more Sunday school rooms added to the church. In less than 30 days these rooms were built and furnished, including Venetian blinds. Mother's Day they gave one hundred (\$100.00) dollars to the Orphanage. The offering every first Sunday in 1944 has been above \$120.00. This country church is an inspiration to their pastor and to this section of the state. The Lord is richly blessing the church and community.—E. C. Edwards, pastor.

—BR—

Miss Mae Blanche Sensing, former Blue Mountain College student, is now singing weekly over Radio Station WSM in Nashville, having made her debut in the employee hours at the Vultee Aircraft Corporation cafeteria. Her radio name is Linda Dale.

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BEHIND BARBED WIRE WITH PRISONERS OF WAR

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half a dozen internment camps for German and Italian prisoners of war, which the U. S. Army maintains in the United States. According to General George C. Marshall's report to Congress, there are 72 prison camps, housing from 1,000 to 6,000 prisoners each, located in 28 states from New York to California, and as far north as Wisconsin, while every state below the Mason and Dixon line, except South Carolina, has one or more such camps. Until recently the number of prisoners was a closely guarded military secret. On October 21st Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson disclosed that there were 140,000 prisoners now in the United States. Since 226,350 is the total capacity of the 72 camps, there is room for 86,350 more. Japanese prisoners are less than 100. The small number is attributed to two reasons, (1) the Japanese soldier's fanatical Shintoistic devotion to his Emperor which makes him prefer death to surrender even when all possibility of rescue has vanished, and (2) the transport distance which makes it advisable to intern Japanese prisoners in American-occupied areas of the Far East. Perhaps also the intense feeling against the Japanese, so apparent during the Japanese-American evacuation from the Pacific coast last year, made it advisable not to intensify that feeling further by bringing Japanese enemy prisoners into the United States.

High Calibre Army Personnel

At all the camps which I visited I was profoundly impressed by the high calibre of the Army personnel in charge. Whoever in the War Department was responsible for the assignment of officers and men to these camps did a superb job in personnel selection. From the commanding officer, down to the private who carefully scrutinized my pass at the entrance gate, every man seemed to be the right man in the right place. Many spoke German or Italian. All possessed a dignified military bearing and enforced strict discipline; yet all also manifested a commendable degree of approachableness that won honest cooperation and maintained high morale. There was nothing soft in the military administration and the prisoners never forgot that they were prisoners. But they also, unconsciously came to realize that even in the U. S. Army the fundamental basic distinction between democracy and fascism is readily apparent. A single illustration will suffice. At one of these camps a German prisoner was found guilty of insubordination. According to U. S. Army regulations the maximum penalty was 30 days in the guardhouse and the minimum perhaps 15 days. He received the maximum sentence. The sentence seemed incredible to the German prisoners. Every one of them expected that the guilty man would promptly face a firing squad and be summarily shot!

Visiting these prison camps proved to be a memorable, eventful experience. It was not a comfortable trip. Trains and buses were crowded. Dining service was slow, and below pre-war standard. Trains were late and there was no guarantuey of connections. It was far from pleasant standing for nearly two hours with 11 other passengers in the aisle of a crowded bus on a hot Mississippi afternoon for the ride to Memphis. One

night my train was nearly three hours late. I was routed out of an upper berth at 3:15 a. m., because my connecting train was about to overtake the train on which I was traveling and I had to change trains at 4:00 a. m. instead of at 7:00 a. m. as I had

expected. Thus a tired, sleepy editor was dumped off a train on a frosty autumn morning at an unknown Southern town there to wait for another train.

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We license liquor-sellers to make drunken paupers, and collect taxes out of the sober people to take care of them. Smart, isn't it?—Bulletin Columbus Avenue Baptist Church, Waco, Texas.

Evangelist Hyman Appelman Says...



Evangelist Hyman Appelman

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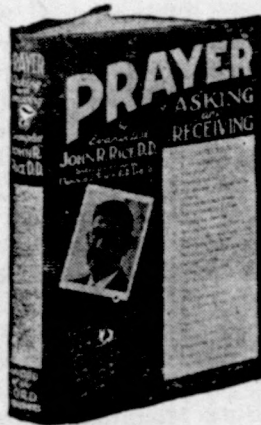
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DISTRICT CONVENTIONS BEGIN NEXT WEEK

June is here again and with it comes the fifteen Training Union Conventions. Each district will enjoy hearing Miss Pearl Caldwell, missionary to China. Miss Caldwell went to North China in 1910. Her labors have been in the densely populated province of Shangtung. God has given her the privilege of seeing many souls born into the Kingdom in the city of Pingtu, where she has served for most of these 33 years. Miss Caldwell has done evangelistic and educational work, a work which the Lord has richly blessed.

Since Pearl Harbor day, Miss Caldwell has been in Japanese Internment camps. Her experiences both as a missionary and as a prisoner will be interesting to all who have the privilege of hearing her. Miss Caldwell came home on the exchange ship Gripsholm, arriving in New York Dec. 1st, 1943. This trip of 22,000 miles (nearly as far as around the world) took 74 days, or two months and a half. Miss Caldwell says they called it "The Miracle Voyage" as they encountered not one storm. One of God's choice souls is this our sister, and you will make any sacrifice necessary to be in one of the conventions to hear her. She will speak in the afternoon at 4:30, and at night at 8:00.

District Convention Program

- 1:30—Fellowship: Friend meet friend. Informal.
- 2:00—Opening session—Song service, Scripture reading, prayer.
- 2:15—Bible Stories told by children of the Story Hours.
- 2:35—Juniors in their Memory Work Drill.
- 2:50—Sectional Conferences—
 - Story Hour children and leaders.
 - Juniors and their leaders and sponsors.
 - Intermediates with leaders and sponsors.
 - Young people.
 - Adults.
 - General officers of the Training Union.
- 4:05—Reassemble for joint session.
- 4:15—Flash! The Intermediate Sword Drill.
- 4:30—Miss Pearl Caldwell of China brings her first message to us.
- 5:10—Roll call, awards presented, committees appointed.
- 5:30—Recess—Supper at 6:00.
- 7:00—Song service, prayer, report of committees.
- 7:20—Young people's speaking tournament.
- 7:40—Talk—"Unashamed Workman"—Mr. Frank E. Skilton.
- 7:55—Relaxation song.

NOW CONCERNING THE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The task Christ gave His church may be simply stated:

1. Go everywhere with the gospel and enlist people in its study.
 2. Baptize them when they come to the point of accepting the Saviour.
 3. Then lead them into an ever-enlarging practice of His way of life.
- With these essentials in mind, Brother Pastor, consider the Vacation Bible school your best ally in getting your 1944 job done. Do not these four points about cover your church program?

1. Enlist more people in Bible study. VBS will reach many that never come to Sunday school. Furthermore, more Bible can be taught in a ten-days school than in six months of Sunday school alone. Experienced workers are in agreement on this.

2. Bring them to accept Christ and portray their acceptance in baptism. Usually there is an ingathering during or following the school comparable to the results of a good revival. I have never seen complete failure at this point.

3. Give each saved person a task in winning and developing others. VBS is one of the major enlistment opportunities of the year. Timid talent that never offers to assume any other task will rise to the challenge of the many and varied vacation school assignments. I have seen this happen.

4. Help the evangelized to grow ever more Christ-like through the development and practice of such character traits as unselfishness, friendliness, cooperation, industry, enthusiasm, and appreciation of human per-

DIXIE MAKES JUNE OFFERING IN MAY

"Dear Bro. McCall:

"I am quite sure you will think we are rather hasty, but we are more than anxious to help in our June debt-paying campaign. You will find inclosed \$25.00 (twenty-five dollars) from Dixie Baptist Church, Lebanon Association, Hattiesburg, Mississippi. We wish the above amount to be applied on our Mississippi Baptist debts. We are wishing you much success in clearing our Baptist debts.—C. S. Moulder, pastor."

—BR—

The Junior R. A.'s and Intermediate G. A.'s of Doddsville sent an offering to the Orphanage on Mother's Day in the amount of \$5.25. This offering was made at the conclusion of a program on tithing by these organizations. The offering was sent in by Lake Lindsey. These young people are readers of The Baptist Record and keep a scrapbook of their activities.

sonality. VBS fairly teems with incentives, opportunities and examples along this line. You will find them in the advance publicity, the hand-work periods, during recreation time, and on the picnic day. Helpfulness is the watchword of a well-conducted school.

Let's not put a ceiling on our success this year, and on the spiritual growth of our membership, by neglecting this field that cries for cultivation in every Mississippi community. Our own state Sunday School Department will give all the help possible. It's your move, fellow-preacher. And a good one, too.

B. FRANK SMITH, Pastor,
Magnolia, Miss.

8:00—Miss Caldwell brings her second message
8:45—Adjournment.

The District Conventions, as you note from the program, will open at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon and will run through a night session. These meetings will be thrilling experiences for all of us, especially for the boys and girls and young people who have part on the program. No limit to the number who can attend. No registration fee this year. We will have a free will offering—this will be applied on expense of the convention. The host church will serve supper to all visitors, one of their contributions to the convention. Plan to come and stay through the night session. It will be hardly dark when we adjourn. Listen to the call, then, coming from fifteen churches—Tate Street Corinth, June 5; Blue Mountain, June 6; Mathiston, June 7; Louisville, June 8; Pachuta, June 9; First Laurel, June 12; Mt. Olive, June 13; Goodyear, Picayune, June 14; Brookhaven, June 15; First Vicksburg, June 16; Mizpah, Rankin county, June 19; Sallis, June 20; Inverness, June 21; Friendship No. 2, Tallahatchie county, June 22; Crowder, June 23.

Conference Leaders for the conventions are the following: Story Hour, Miss Mary D. Wilds, Oxford; Juniors and their leaders, district leaders except in a few instances; Intermediates and their leaders, Miss Ruth Loftin of the Training Union Department; Young People, Miss Louise Hill of the Training Union Department; Adults, Mr. Frank E. Skilton, Blue Mountain; General Training Union officers, different leaders in each district.

You notice we are combining the leaders with their unions in the conferences. We hope for these conferences to be demonstrations of the work, showing how to set up a department as well as an individual union, and how a program may be put on on Sunday evening to best advantage. Let leaders and sponsors come and participate in the demonstration.

Our theme for June: "The Gospel is Christ's Universal Charter of Human Rights." Scripture, "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free," John 8:32. "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed," John 8:36. Song for the month—"O Zion Haste." Denominational emphasis—Christian Education. In Mississippi every church including every member of every Training Union is requested to share in the special offering that will unloose the shackles that have bound us with debt for so many years.

B. S. U. OFFICERS AT BLUE MOUNTAIN

Blue Mountain, Miss., April 20—Officers of the Baptist Student Union Council at Blue Mountain College for the session 1944-45 are: President, Marjorie West, Sardis; first vice president, Margaret Wilson, Starkville; second vice president, Virginia Frances Lady, Truman, Ark.; third vice president, Jean Lowrey, Blue Mountain; fourth vice president, Mary Tom Berry, Philadelphia; Sunday school superintendent, Mary D. Leavell, Tampa, Fla.; B. T. U. director, Dorothy Lee Jefferson, Inverness; Y. W. A. director, Floriene Williams, Prentiss; pianist, Wilma Stewart, Meadville; chorister, Frances Gene Hannaford, Jackson, Life Service Band president, Elaine Caldwell, State College; secretary, Willodean McDonnell, Summerland; treasurer, Bettie Gene Sauer, Owensboro, Ky.; reporter, Jean Anderson, Collierville, Tenn.; local representative, Bobbie Lee Caples, Blue Mountain; faculty representative, Mrs. Frances Bell Hollowell, Olive Branch.

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June Emphases!

Three!

Three what? Why, three special emphases in June for the Sunday school, of course.

What are they? Just these: Christian education, Hospitals, and the Victory Offering for the Now Club.

Yes, sir, we hope every school in the entire state will really do a big job in putting over in a great way these three most worthy phases of our whole Baptist program.

The idea of Christian Education and Hospital emphasis is to continue the work of education as to the place and importance and work of these great institutions. Our people need to be always informed as to all parts of our work. The more we know about the various agencies and institutions we have, the more we will do about them, and these two are certainly among the very best. In fact, all of them are the best, because each fills a specially prepared place in our scheme of things.

Now Club Offering

Of course, the special June Victory Offering for the Now Club is in keeping with the action of the Mississippi Baptist Convention last November in this regard. The purpose is to get out of debt in June. Won't that be a glorious day? And many of the churches all over the state, from the largest to the smallest, and all in between, have signified an eagerness to participate in this June Victory Offering that is most inspiring.

Come on, you Sunday school superintendents, every one of you, and lead your great organization to a 100% job in cooperation with all other forces of your church and let's make the June Victory Offering victory indeed by giving enough to get us out of debt without doubt.

Ridgecrest!!

This year we are having two Sunday school weeks at Ridgecrest instead of one as heretofore. This is in order to care for the great crowds who attend.

The two Sunday school weeks this year are July 5-11 and July 12-18. The programs for the two weeks are twins. The same program is planned for both weeks with only a few changes in personnel. Choose the week most convenient for you and write for reservation.

And when we say write for reservation, we mean just that, and the earlier you write the better. Write to Mr. Perry Morgan, Ridgecrest, N. C.

Send Your Superintendents

What finer investment can your school make than to send the general superintendent to Ridgecrest this year for one of the Sunday school weeks?

And also to send some of the department superintendents? Surely this will pay off in mighty big dividends. A letter to us from Miss Sybil Deweese, the church secretary at Carthage, says that five of their workers are going to Ridgecrest this year. What about yours? Get busy and send at least the general superintendent.

Want a Program?

Would you like to have a program

of the two Sunday school weeks at Ridgecrest this summer? Would you really? All right, then, just write us a card and we shall be only too glad to send you one free gratis for nothing without charge.

Let's make the Mississippi representation during Sunday school weeks this year one of the very best we have ever had, in spite of the inconveniences of war-time travel conditions.

Notice to All Sunday School Workers

In "Sunday School Young People and Adults" for May the editorial carrying the title "Two Great Sunday School Weeks" indicates that the first week, July 5-12, will be devoted to the work of the associational Sunday school organization and its officers and that the second week is primarily for local Sunday school leaders. Since the writing of that article it was decided that both Sunday school weeks at Ridgecrest should offer the same program—that is, that the program each week will be identical as to subjects but with substantial change in personnel. Therefore, the worker is left to choose which week will suit his convenience best and make reservations with Mr. Perry Morgan, manager, accordingly. When it was decided that both weeks should be identical the above mentioned editorial was written and perhaps already in type and too late to recall. It is hoped that there may be no undue confusion as a result of the statement as to the two weeks appearing therein. At the time of its writing it was planned that the first Sunday school week would be devoted to the consideration of the associational Sunday school organization, its officers and work, as was the case last year, and the second week to that of the work of the local Sunday school workers. It was decided later that the two weeks program should be identical. In the new arrangement there will be a conference each evening both weeks on the work of the associational Sunday school officers. We trust that our workers will be governed accordingly and will make their plans to attend the week of their choice.

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SOUTHERN BAPTISTS ARE AGREED

J. E. Dillard

Southern Baptists are an independent lot; they do their own thinking. They have no use and little respect for the "rubber stamp" and the "Yes, Yes" man. They demand a "Thus saith the Lord" for their doctrine and "good and sufficient reasons" for any plan. Yet they are remarkably alike in principles and polity, and cooperate amazingly well.

We have reached a pivotal point in our denominational history. I have talked and had correspondence with many of our people in all our southern states relative to our future program. I am convinced that there is quite general agreement upon many matters, among them these; we all agree that:

1. We were wise in paying the old Southwide Debt in 1943;
2. Churches and institutions should do everything possible to get out of debt in 1944;
3. While going forward in a worthy way we should so plan our work as not to go in debt again. Debts are costly. We paid more than \$5,000,000 in interest upon the old Southwide Debt and probably several times as much upon local and state debts. It is easy to get in debt but hard to get out;
4. The Co-operative Program is the best plan for enlisting all our people in all our work. Nothing should be done that will hurt this plan. The most of us believe that the special days and seasons can be so observed as to help and should be considered as a part of this program;
5. Our institutions can and should solicit large gifts from special friends, thereby strengthening the institutions without hurting the Cooperative Program;
6. A program of evangelism, education, and enlistment should be carried on all the time;
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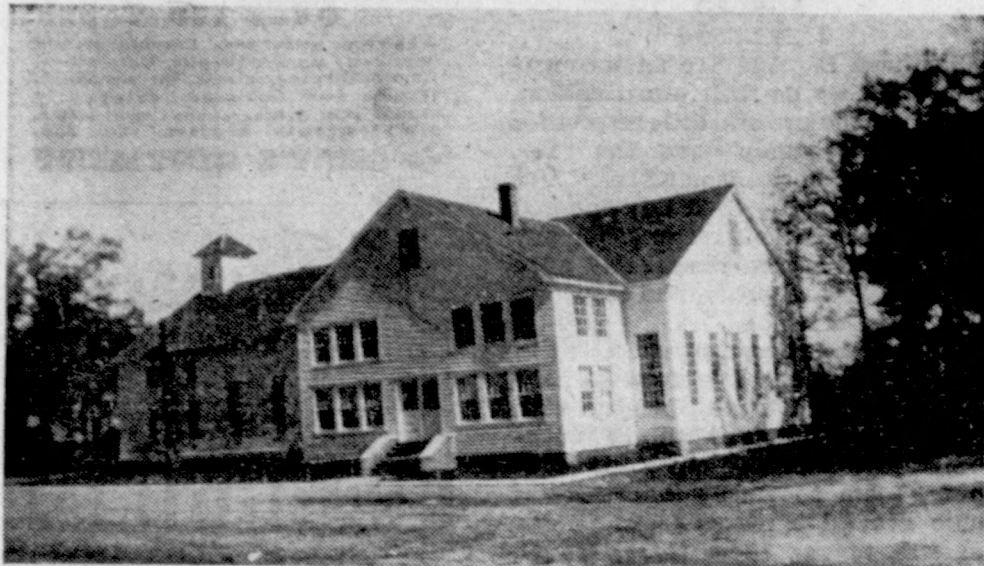
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By Reese Rogers

In the balmy month of June, 1874, a small band of God's noble men and women met in a little log hut, known as Rogers' schoolhouse, in central Covington county, and with the aid of four ministers organized Salem Baptist Church. Today a beautiful modern building nestles in a grove at the crossroads of one of the South's best rural communities. With a full-time program and complete organization, it stands as a worthy monument to those God-fearing souls, and as a mark of divine favor on the faithful labors of the children of God.

Salem holds a large place in the hearts of its members. Under the power of God, the old bell has, and still does call people to lofty living. Its spire points to the "lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world," and the memory of its glorious ministry inspires hundreds though they are scattered to the ends of the earth. Its message of hope and salvation has transformed the lives of its children and the purifying power of its noble existence has even added material value to the soil of the community on which it stands. The very name signifies "peace," and one who has known and loved Salem for half a century has never heard an oath on the grounds or in the building, has never seen a person come to its services under the influence of intoxicating liquor, or witnessed a fight on the grounds, or a "row" in its ranks!

The present building was completed, without debt, in 1940 under the leadership of one of the best building committees ever assembled. The auditorium has a seating capacity of 500. It has seven well equipped department assembly rooms, with musical instruments in each, and 17 class rooms. Choir and pulpit are attractively furnished and the piano has solo-vox attachment. The office and library of several hundred good books are modern. The library is under the care of an elected librarian and all books are selected with utmost care. The grounds have been improved with concrete walks and gravel for parking space.

Center For Social Life

On the grounds is the social center, built and equipped for the social activities of the church. Around a roaring fire in the big, open fireplace many happy hours have been passed by various groups. The Sunday school is under the fine leadership of Superintendent H. L. Pickering. This consecrated Christian business man and his corps of workers are doing a good

Social Center Salem Church



job. The enrollment approaches 300. A regular monthly workers' council and monthly visitation program are adding to the enrollment. Leaders plan to reach the Standard of Excellence. The Vacation Bible school each summer is one of the highlights of the work and the spirit of evangelism has its rightful place in all these activities.

Mrs. C. C. Rogers, Training Union director, has approached the realm of miracles in her leadership in the training work of the church. They come, young and old, sometimes more than 200 in number.

There are four adult unions, a young people's union, four intermediate and four junior unions and a story hour with two groups. The unions go out for missionary work and carry programs to those who cannot come. The workers have served in study course work and enlargement campaigns in other churches and associations. This department has been a large factor in helping the church to reach its present program. Any rural church, trying to carry out its commission without a Training Union is neglecting one of its best assets.

Mrs. Floyd McGee is president of the W. M. U. which has three good circles. She is leading in a fine way, and cooperates with every phase of the work, and the church shares worthily with the women in observing the three seasons of prayer.

Church Has Budget System

The church operates on the budget system. A standing finance committee, elected by the church, sets up and recommends a budget to the church. On the last Sunday in September each year, the budget is presented to, and voted on by the church. The present budget is practically ten times what it was ten years ago. The system operates through the Sunday school in that each one who attends makes an offering

through the class, and others in regular worship service. The budget has not only been increased each year, but each year is overpaid, with 30% of all offerings earmarked for the Co-operative Program. Direct contributions are made to other causes in addition to this. The finance committee sees to it each year that the church's missionary work is the largest item in the budget. Tithing is stressed and practiced as the one plan of proper stewardship and a large number of the people have signed a tithing pledge. The Lord's Acre Plan is used to raise money for building and enlargement in plant and equipment. This furnished the beginning of the building fund and is now being set aside in bonds to buy a pastor's home when needed. The present pastor owns his home. Salem does not have a storehouse but each person converts the products of his or her project into cash and brings this to the church, which is over and above the regular weekly contributions. A special treasurer and fund are provided for this work. Many, old and young, have found joy and happiness in the reality of being "laborers together with God" in field and barn and chicken yard, and realize that they are a very definite part of all the work of the kingdom. (Psalm 24:1, 50:10, Hag. 2:8.)

Salem maintains bus service on five different routes to "bring people to church who have no way to come.

The Baptist Record is sent into every home and is one of the most useful agents employed by the church to promote all phases of kingdom work. The church participates in the Ministers' Retirement Plan.

Committees Carry On Work

The church has nine active deacons and one in the armed service. These are all fine Christian characters. Four standing committees are maintained: (1) A nominating committee to keep filled the many places left vacant by draft and other causes. (2) A finance committee who sees always that the financial program of the church keeps its proper pace. (3) A building committee who exercises constant vigil over all that pertains to building and enlargement of building and grounds, and (4) a fellowship committee who attends to all matters under its jurisdiction. In addition to the above, a board of property trustees is a vital part of the official family.

During the summer months Salem entertained large groups of soldiers from Mississippi training camps at "all day services with dinner on the ground" extending old time Southern Christian hospitality.

The church has prayer services each Wednesday evening featuring the value of this hour of fellowship with one another and with God. Also each Sunday morning just before Sunday school, the officers and teachers meet, by departments, to pray.

Former Pastor Laid Foundation

Space will not permit the history of all the noble ministers who have served the church, but worthy tribute is due each of them. Each made a wonderful contribution and only eternity will reveal the true value of their services. However, two deserve mention for unusual phases of their work, namely:

Rev. J. T. Dale (deceased) who had the longest pastorate in the church, baptized, married and buried more people than any other pastor; Rev. J. E. Cranford was the first native pastor and still residing near, is the moderator of the association and pastor in the county. Tribute is paid to three other pastors whose labors so vitally contributed, in a particular way, to the recent growth and enlargement of the church plant and program, namely: (1) Rev. H. K. Ezell (now at Fairforest, S. C.), who was the first pastor, as far as we know, whose

KNOW YOUR BIBLE

Correct answers on page 15.

1. One of the first developments of our Bible was known as the "Gothic Bible." What do you know about it?

2. In I Kings, verse 4, we are told that Elijah was fed by the ravens. The Jews considered ravens as one of the unclean birds, and in Hebrew meant something entirely different. They did not feed him. Who did?

3. When Paul and his group set out for Rome, we are told in Acts 27:41, his sailors "ran the ship aground." What really happened to their ship?

4. This week we bring you the next five Old Testament books, and their analysis. (See continuation in next week's issue.)

vision and courage recommended definitely an enlarged building and expansion of program and organization. While the work was not actually done during his pastorate, yet the seed sown by him brought forth an abundant harvest, beyond his fondest dream. (2) Next came Rev. R. Houston Smith (now of Bossier City, La.), whose keen spiritual sight led him to discern great potential powers in a "sleeping giant" and he lifted up his voice like a trumpet and aroused the church. Without the ringing challenge of Bro. Smith the present program would not be ours. (3) Then came Rev. W. L. Day (now of Louisville, Miss.), a mighty genius in organization, who gathered together the forces of the promising field and set up a fine and adequate organization leading to a more worthy program, without which victory would have been doubtful. Thus was the stage set for what has followed, and to our God belongs the praise and glory for equipping these noble workmen and sending them to us, and as far as human contribution is concerned, to these three goes tribute for great kingdom performance.

A care-taker is employed by the church and the building, grounds and cemetery are constantly looked after so that proper praise to God may be evident even by the physical properties. The men of the church made heaters from oil drums, which are efficient in having every room warm and comfortable in winter.

Major Causes In Progress

From a human standpoint, three major things are responsible for the growth and enlargement that Salem church has experienced within the past decade.

1. A glorious heritage: This church was built and served by men and women who knew the purposes of God for human lives and who were neither afraid nor unwilling to stand for the right. They spared no effort or cost to secure the very best pastors and evangelistic help for meetings unfailingly.

2. A people of vision, loyalty and faith: They challenged their fellows to a worthy task and trusted God for the necessary blessings. Their text was the words of Caleb, "Give me this mountain," and within a twelve month period, in the worst crop year this community has ever had, the church built the present building and went on full-time program without one cent of indebtedness, all because they dared trust Him Who is able. When something is undertaken to promote God's program at Salem "every man stands around about the camp in his place." The work is done because "the people have a mind to work."

3. The church maintains a worthy missionary program: Some years ago we heard that "any church not on the way to the mission field is on the way to the cemetery. We did not have burial insurance so we started to the mission

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for Sunday, June 4

PAUL'S EPHESIAN MINISTRY

Acts 19:1-20:38; Ephesians

Ephesus—A word so rich in meaning for the student of the New Testament, and for the archaeologist that whole books have been written full of interesting things about it. It was a very ancient city, first, Oriental city, then gradually becoming Greek, its history contains the steps which led from the Slavish idea of the Oriental city, in which the people had little freedom, to that of the self-governing Greek city, and from that to the Roman idea of the empire over all the cities, an idea which the Romans were never able to graft successfully upon the Greek stock. Ephesus was the greatest city of Asia in the time of Paul (of course you will understand the word 'Asia' in the New Testament to mean, not what we now mean by that word, a whole continent, but 'Asia' in the New Testament means the Roman province of Asia, which is at present practically comprised within the boundaries of Turkey), and was the site of the famous Temple of Diana, one of the seven wonders of the ancient world. Perhaps no other heathen temple in all the world ever matched the magnificence of the Temple of Diana until the Romans of a later date built St. Peter's of Rome. The Ephesian Temple was the centre of the religious life of all the Asian province, and was likewise the international bank or treasury.

Ephesus was at the crossing of the ways, where the lines of travel converged thence to diverge by sea and land through all the eastern world. Paul's fine eye for strategic points beheld in Ephesus an opportunity for the gospel offered by few other places he ever visited. His high estimate of its importance doubtless accounts for his lengthy stay in it, and for the fact that when the gospel had been, by his ministry firmly planted in Ephesus, it could be said that "All they that dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord, both Jews and Greeks." (Acts 19:10).

1. Character of Paul's Ephesian Ministry. Acts 20:17-38

1. A Constant Ministry. v. 18.

I suppose Paul had seasons of rest while engaged in this tremendous work, but I cannot even suppose that he took things easy. He was with them at all seasons.

He considered his a call to hard work, and he did not slight his task. His work was more like that of the devoted Sunday School teacher, who takes in hand the task of teaching people who do not know the word of the Lord or the Lord of the word, and leads them into a knowledge of the Lord through the word of the Lord. There was no time for Paul to take things easy; for his days were running out, and he must labor as one who was to give account.

2. A Devoted Ministry. v. 19. "Serving the Lord." Is that, now, so very easy? Sunday School teacher, are you serving the Lord? or your class? Are you aware that the two may be entirely different things? My Preacher Brother, are you serving the Lord? Or did you respond to a call to serve

your church? Or closer still, are you mainly concerned with a service of yourself? Do you study to say and do the things that are true to the Lord? or the things that appear to you to be best for yourself?

3. A Humble Ministry. v. 19. "With all humility of mind." He leaned upon the Lord and wept in supplication that He might have the help of the Spirit. There was so much need upon his part that he dared not lean upon his own understanding.

4. A House to House Ministry. v. 20. "Publicly and from house to house." "Publicly," of course, that's easy; but "from house to house," that is another matter. I make no doubt you have heard preachers in revival meetings preach sermons they had preached a hundred times before, and this is said in no harsh criticism of the preachers, so long as the preaching does not become mechanical. Of course, the brother who boasted that he knew certain of his sermons so well he could set his mouth a-going on one of them and then go off and leave it in the perfect confidence that it would correctly chew the sermon out to the last word, was confessing that he didn't know the difference between preaching and saying something. But when a man has preached the gospel, and that with heart and head, he has not done all that Paul did at Ephesus. We are hearing from the experts today much said to the effect that we must go after the people now, and we preachers think that is making of some of us an awful requirement; but Paul had to do that when he was in Ephesus, and all the models he left us seem to support the belief that he was as good a preacher as you or I. Chances are Paul was not doing a thing unnecessary, not because he was lazy, but because he labored under a deep sense of responsibility, and would not have been wasting his time in the doing of the unnecessary thing. So he went from house to house. I never use my day in writing these lessons that I do not resolve that I am going to spend more time among my people next week. I am making that resolution now, right now, but I shall have to better past performances if I keep it. Yet I know I ought to. The doctor goes to see the people that are sick. The shepherd goes out and searches for the sheep that have strayed away.

5. A Purposeful Ministry. v. 21. "Testifying." Now, I am perfectly willing to concede that a lot of time expended in so-called 'Pastoral visiting,' is little better than wasted, and some of it is not so good as wasted. Many a brother has drifted into the habit of peddling gossip from door to door, while leaving undone the work that he is called to do. What is this testifying from house to house? Well, it is testifying, be sure of that. If the husband of the house needs God, the good witness will leave the husband conscious of his need, or, at least, aware that the witness thinks the husband suffers need. A good doctor told me: "I prescribed that young woman a diet. She's too fat, Preacher; she's in danger; but when I called at her house a few days after to see another member of the family, I caught her eating the very things that would aggravate her condition. I told her, 'I can't make you quit killing yourself, but I have to keep telling you.'" What a chance the visiting witness has at the young people! A lot of the time it is his only chance. What a chance when trouble comes! when death! What a chance to

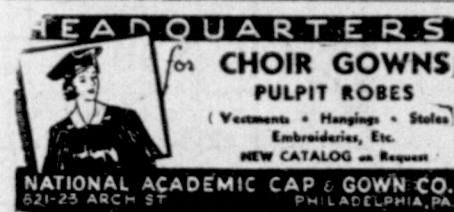
erect the family altar!

Stimulates church attendance, too. Profound Will, Sullivan of Natchez says: "When I quit going, my people quit coming, and that makes me mad." I have seen people in my congregation on Sunday who were there because they had had a grip of my hand during the week before—people concerning whom I am sure they would not have come to church had I not gone to see them in the days before. Sunday School Teacher, you try it, now! Just try it and then write me. Thank you for the scores of letters of appreciation you have written me; but you try this now, visit the absentee members of your class, and see that the other members of the class also visit them, both the absentee and the prospective members, and write me the result. Come, Preacher, let's you and me make a covenant that we will visit those people who ought to be in the church and talk to them about it and see if it does good, and then let's tell each other if it does or doesn't.

6. A Gospel Ministry. "Testifying both to the Jews and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." That was the burden of Paul's testimony, that was what he talked about when he visited the homes in Ephesus. The weather might have been hot or cold or dry or wet: the cotton market might have been up or down: Nero may have been industriously inaugurating his New Deal and incidentally liquidating those incurable conservatives, the Baptists, in Rome; and Paul may, in passing, have mentioned those things, but none of those things moved him from the pursuit of his purpose in going from house to house. He would hold the scent like God's own hunting hound, and would not be shaken from it. In every form his quickened mind could devise he asked, "Have you repented toward God? Have you exercised faith in the Lord Jesus Christ?" No matter how his host might strive to change the subject, Paul would circle back to it.

I've used up my space now, and haven't got to the Epistle of the Ephe-

sians. Please read it with me. It is God's masterpiece of literature. I taught it in Deacon Murray Kenna's little college down at Summit once and, at the end of the week, in a testimony meeting from which I was absent, one of the students who had been in regular attendance said: "I have learned this week how beautiful the Bible is as a book to read for pleasure and for profit."



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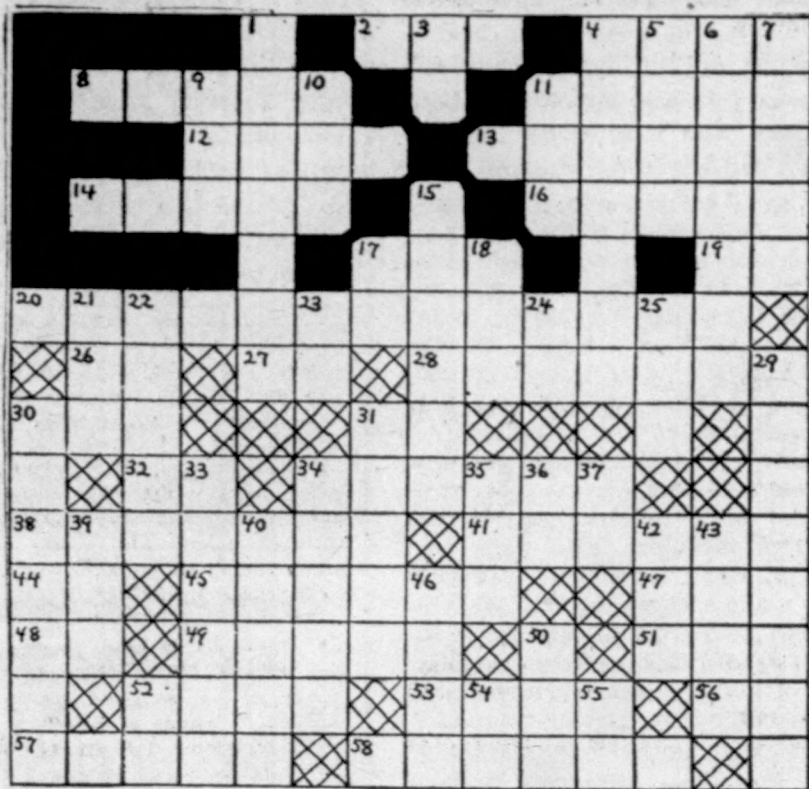
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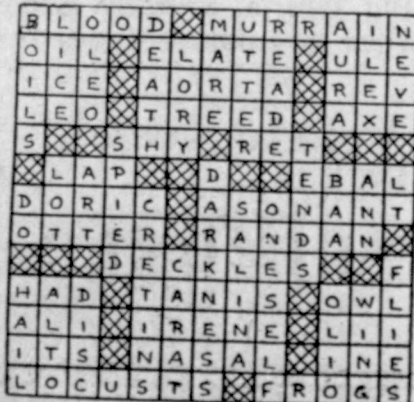
ACROSS

- 2 "But . . . led the people about."
 4 "And the . . . spake unto Moses."
 8 "And . . . said unto the people."
 11 Volcano mountain.
 12 The second station where the Israelites encamped after crossing the Red sea, Ex. 15:27.
 13 Two-footed animals.
 14 Brother of 8 across.
 16 Part of a glove.
 17 "Why do we . . . still?"
 19 Plural suffix.
 20 Pharaoh's penalties (3 words).
 26 King killed by the Israelites.
 27 "It is not meet so to . . ."
 28 Freest.
 30 Peep.
 31 Salvation Army.
 32 Afternoon.
 34 Sister of 8 across.
 38 Mechanic.
 41 "his chosen captains also are downed in the . . ."
 44 Artificial language.
 45 "the land of their pilgrimage."
 47 "and the . . . his master's crib."
 48 Public notice.
 49 Pertaining to the Norsemen.
 51 City of King Hadar, Gen. 36:39.
 52 Ecclesiastical court.
 53 "as a . . . that is told."
 56 Home of Abraham, Gen. 11:31.
 57 "the . . . and his rider hath he thrown into the sea."
 58 "So Moses brought . . . from the Red sea, and they went out into the wilderness of Shur."

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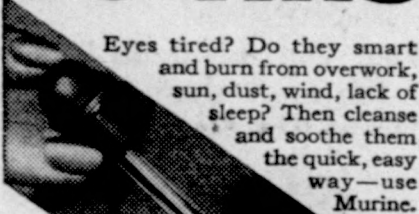
- 1 "he giveth his . . . sleep."
 3 Exodus is in this.
 4 "his hand was . . . as snow."
 5 Genus of trees.
 6 "who hath . . . of eyes?"
 7 Pulpits.
 9 Weights of India.
 10 Where manna was first gathered.
 11 Joseph was cast into this.

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK



- 15 "And the Lord went before them by day in a . . . of a cloud."
 17 Country of Europe.
 18 Philippine peasant.
 21 Mount on which Aaron died.
 22 Land that the Israelites left.
 23 City of Egypt, Jer. 46:25.
 24 "Depart, and . . . up hence."
 25 Fish.
 29 "ye shall be a peculiar . . ."
 30 King of 22 down.
 31 Mount from which the law was given.
 33 Microscope user (abbr.).
 34 "the taste of it was like wafers made with honey."
 25 The soil of the land of Canaan contained much . . . (Scot. var.).
 36 One (Scot.).
 37 Middle Atlantic state.
 39 "Take thy . . . and cast it before Pharaoh."
 40 Style of cooking.
 42 "The trees of the Lord are full of . . ." Ps. 104:16.
 43 Eldest son of Isaac.
 46 New Testament book.
 50 Southeastern state.
 52 Means of transportation.
 54 Place passed on the way to Canaan, Num. 21:28.
 55 A Scotch eye.

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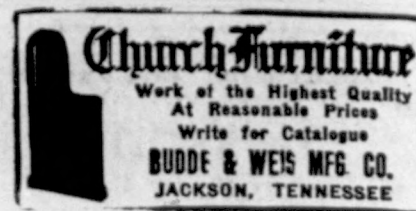
INSTALLATION SERVICE HELD

The Baptist Student Union Council of Belhaven College selected for the year 1944-45, held candlelight installation service at the prayer meeting hour of the First Baptist Church, May 10. Henry Love introduced the new president, who introduced each member of the council who lighted her candle when her name was called. All the council members gave short talks on their duties, plans, and spiritual mottoes for the coming year. Owen Cooper gave a very inspiring charge, pointing out to the council the importance of developing themselves that they might live spotless lives, establish a definite devotional life, increase their loyalty to their denomination, and lead others to Christ.

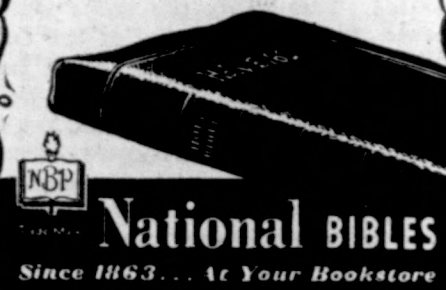
The following officers have assumed their responsibilities:

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field. The mission work takes the lead in the budget and God has definitely pronounced His approval. Salem responds to the extra calls of our denomination for its program.

It participates in the debt-paying clubs. It prays for and helps pay for all phases of the work; otherwise it would not justify its existence.

God's Providence Over All

God's providential care is ever-present. Salem asked Him for a building, for a full-time program and a pastor's home. The first two are already glorious realities and the third will be when needed. Men met and excavated for the new building and found themselves without water to mix the concrete and mortar. That night while men slept, He rained those holes full of water and had the sun shining next morning, and all they had to do was to dip out the water in drums and proceed. They asked Him for a typewriter for the office when typewriters were frozen. From the South Pacific came the money with which to buy it and from Crystal Springs came a good slightly used machine. They asked Him for furniture for choir and pulpit. Almost before this could be found, He sent ample funds with which to purchase it. Many other instances might be named, and when the people meet for worship each Sunday morning they do not have to draw on the imagination or resort to cold formality when they stand to sing: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

(Editor's Note: Salem is one of the large rural churches in the Southern Baptist Convention and the present pastor, Reese Rogers, is proving a worthy successor to the brave ministers who laid the foundation. He is recognized as an outstanding laborer in the Master's vineyard.)

GROUP OF 17 LATIN AMERICAN NUNS ARRIVE IN U. S.

Chicago—(RNS)—A group of 17 Catholic nuns from various countries in Latin America have arrived in the United States under the auspices of the State Department to study hospital work, and will remain from one to two years. The project, part of a developing plan for interchange of visits between Catholic leaders and students in the two continents, was announced at the opening here of Loyola University's new Institute of Inter-American Affairs. Some 250 Catholic educators from many parts of the country attended.

(Editor's Note: In contrast to the above we call attention to the difficulty our missionaries experience. Read again column two, page five, of last week's Record.)

APPRECIATES CLARKE COLLEGE

A new student at Clarke has written to the editor some of his impressions of the college and its meaningfulness for students who otherwise might not have had the chance at a college course. We quote some of his remarks:

"I entered the college in April and am enjoying the study, the associations and my work in the ministry. In looking over some sections of the country where there is a prospect of challenging churches to rise and attempt things in the Kingdom, one of the ministerial students told of the work done at the county poor house. He spoke of the grateful hearts of the inmates when the preacher boys visited them in sickness. The motto of the boys seemed to be 'Let us know and we will come,' whenever and wherever needed. I like this spirit. The ministerial students are willing

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES Called and Accepted

Rev. C. H. Camp, Reedy Creek church, Hephzibah Association, Georgia.

Rev. Clyde Allen, Elam church, Middle Association, Georgia.

Rev. Frank Clark, Barwick-Mystic Field churches, Georgia.

Rev. A. F. Smith, Ten Mile Creek-Mount Vernon church, Consolation Association, Georgia.

Rev. W. L. Anderson, Dunwoody church, Roswell Association, Georgia.

Rev. Troy Buice, Adairsville church, Adairsville, Georgia.

Rev. W. F. Goode, Bluff Park church, Stuart, Florida.

Rev. James H. Butler, Sylacauga church, Sylacauga, Alabama.

Rev. Harold C. Angel, First church, Mt. Pleasant, Tennessee.

Rev. Fred Koeber, Tabernacle church, Greensboro, North Carolina.

Rev. A. E. Lightfoot, Brentwood church, Jacksonville, Florida.

Rev. John C. Hedrick, Greenfield church, Greenfield, Tennessee.

Rev. Luther J. Thompson, First church, Selma, Alabama.

Rev. Raymond C. Smith, Tabernacle church, Knoxville, Tennessee.

Rev. Gordon T. Greenwell, Cowan church, Cowan, Tennessee.

Rev. J. E. Bagley, state evangelist, Texas.

Resigned

Rev. M. F. Roberts, Buchanan, Buchanan, Georgia.

Rev. Frank Clark, Damascus church, Damascus, Georgia.

Rev. A. F. Smith, Bethel Field churches, near Statesboro, Georgia.

Rev. Troy Buice, Dunwoody church, Roswell Association, Georgia.

Dr. Chauncey W. Durden, St. John's church, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Rev. Luther J. Thompson, Sulphur Springs church, Franklin, Kentucky.

Rev. Raymond C. Smith, Highland Avenue church, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Rev. Frank Zeigler, South church, St. Elmo, Tennessee.

Rev. J. E. Bagley, Heights church, Texas City, Texas.

STUDENT ELECTIONS AT MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

Kenny Pepper of Louisville, Ky., was elected president of the student body at Mississippi College in the recent student elections. Pepper is a senior ministerial student of exceptional brilliance and ability, a talented musician and a promising young preacher. The following will serve with him: Billy Stogner of Tyler-town, vice president; Katherine Krigler, secretary; and attorney, David Caul of Columbia. The outgoing president is Apprentice Seaman Luther White of the V-12 naval unit at Mississippi College.

MIDWAY CHURCH IN NEW BUILDING

Midway Baptist church, recently organized on the old Clinton Boulevard, held its first service in a newly purchased building on Sunday night, May 18, 1944. W. S. Landrum, pastor, of Clinton, had charge of this significant service. Much rejoicing has been in the membership since the new building, a brick residence, has been secured. The congregation, small in number, is struggling to pay off the debt on the property, and help from friends is being received to this end.

to serve in any place that needs them, physically or spiritually. I want this to be my motto, 'Let me know, and I will come.'—H. P. McDonald, Newton, Miss.

IN MEMORY OF MR. C. W. LOFTON

For Father, dear, the years have passed one by one.

His trials of life with patience he has done.

He was once a child as you and me, With love affairs so pleasant as you did see.

But as the years sailed happily along, He gathered his children around him at home.

Memories of the happy celebration we will hold,

For every child loved him, so dear and bold.

Our trials of life have been easier to bear,

Because you were always ready to share.

But now you have gone to your heavenly home,

Where we hope to meet you before the throne.

Dear Father, we are here to say, We loved you dearly until the last day.

And now our last prayer in this land so fair,

Is that we will see you at home over there.

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SUMMER SCHOOL AT SOUTHWESTERN

The Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, is offering two separate six-weeks' terms in this year's summer school. The first, beginning May 22 and closing June 30, will include courses in theology, religious education and sacred music. The later term, beginning June 30 and closing August 11, will provide courses in the school of theology only. The seminary is attempting to provide a fully accelerated program of theological education to meet present day needs. The work given will be equivalent to the usual eight-week plan and will be fully accredited.

Information may be secured from Dr. S. A. Newman, registrar, or from Dr. T. B. Maston, director.—Ralph Churchill.

FERNWOLD WILL AID

Dear Dr. McCall:

We are interested in paying debts of Mississippi Baptists. Fernwood is planning to make the Second Sunday in June Mississippi Baptist Debt-Paying Day. We look forward to having this joy in helping our State to become debt free. Please send us one hundred envelopes for this special offering. May our Lord lead you, to lead us to do great things in our State and around the world.

Yours in Christ,

O. A. VARNADO.

GREENVILLE FIRST WILL USE 500

Dear Dr. McCall:

Please send me 500 special envelopes for the Debt-Paying Campaign. Our church plans to make special effort during June to help wipe out our State debts.

I purpose to use the Prayer meeting hour Wednesday, May 31st, to make an appeal for as large an offering as possible.

I am joining you in prayer and work for a great victory in June.

Cordially yours,

CHAS. S. HENDERSON.

Dr. H. L. Martin, Senatobia, delivered the graduation address for the Rosedale High School May 26, and the commencement sermon for Shaw High School on May 28.

Answers To Know Your Bible

Feature on page 12.

1. (The "Gothic Bible"): In the year about 310 A. D., Bishop Ulfilas was born, and in his later life, he made a complete translation of the Bible, associating the same with the Goths, and their "Gothic" architecture, hence, the translation was known as the "Gothic Bible."

2. (Fed by the ravens): According to Biblical writers, "ravens" can be interpreted to mean "Arabians," stating that Elijah was fed by kindly Arabs, and not by ravens.

3. (Paul's ship ran aground): The sailors, to escape the force of the storm, "ran the ship aground" with all their speed and under full sail, which struck a sunken reef, causing the ship to break into many pieces.

4. (Old Testament Books—15, 16, 17, 18 and 19): Analysis: Job, a drama of the soul. Psalms, a book of hymns. Songs of Solomon, Hebrew pastoral poems. Proverbs, practical moral maxims. Ecclesiastes, practical moral reflections. (Continued in next week's issue.)

FULLER AND BAILEY ARE SPEAKERS AT BLUE MOUNTAIN COMMENCEMENT

(Continued from Page One)

Mountain; Marguerite Hennessee, Florence, Ala.; Willie Glynn Hicks, Sledge; Jennie Lucille Hill, Sumter, South Carolina; Mildred Elma Holt, Milan, Tennessee; Mary Alene Johnson, Tiptonville; Alice Johnson, Coffeeville; Mary Barbara Kerley, Lewisburg, Tennessee.

Margaret Jo Kingsley, Nettleton; Mary Martha Leavell, Nashville, Tennessee; Billie Evelyn Luna, Walnut; Nell Cleveland McDonald, Fulton; Ruby Peyton McKenzie, Greenwood; Monte Lee McMahan, Batesville; Erin Hocutt Mann, Laurel; Nella Dean Mitchell, Louisville; Mary Jean Naylor, Leonardtown, Maryland; Lucy Elizabeth Pettit, Jackson; Mary Frances Pinson, Memphis, Tennessee; Sarah Lillian Porter, Laurel; Carolyn Powell, Liberty; Willie Mae Pugh, Red Bay, Alabama.

Dorothy Doty Ruff, Clarksdale; Edna Sheffield, Inverness; Mary Elizabeth Smith, Carthage; Dorothy Marie Turner, Wheeler, Alabama; Zelma Van Osdol, Pascagoula; Sarah Whiteside, Gunnison; Joyce Ann Wilkinson, Richmond, Virginia.

Misses Davis and Powell also received the diploma in speech arts and Miss Hill received the diploma in piano.

He was a bit shy, and after she had thrown her arms around him and kissed him for bringing her flowers, he started to leave.

"I'm sorry I offended you," she said. "Oh, I'm not offended," he replied. "I'm going for more flowers."—Capper's Weekly.

Miss Fung Ping Leung of Hong Kong, China, who is preparing to teach in a Baptist college in her native land after the war, was selected to represent her class at Peabody College recently at the Washington conference on Childhood Education. She was entertained at the White House and also at the home of the Chinese consul. She is a graduate of Blue Mountain College.

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Sunday School and B.T.U. Attendance		
	SS	BTU
Hardy	80	12
Sunflower	80	12
Bogue Chitto (Pike) May 21	81	118
Bethany (Sunflower) May 21	128	75
Enon (Panola) May 21	159	48
New Hope (Sunflower) May 21	102	61
Calvary Jackson	928	244
First Church Jackson	1,102	220
Gulfport	387	95
West Side, Natchez	102	54
Crystal Springs	431	104
New Fellowship (Jasper)	64	13
New Albany	428	128
Bowman Ave. Vicksburg	156	74
Cross Roads (Webster)	75	52
Wallerville	71	43
Brookhaven	509	114
Parkway Jackson	512	130
Ramah (Franklin)	91	
Liberty Hill (Panola)	114	64
Louisville	380	42
Center (Union)	78	669
Rocky Springs (Yazoo)	166	
Crowder	92	52
Enon (Panola)	59	41

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FOREST HAS GREAT REVIVAL

We are coming to recognize that 'prayer changes things' more fully each week in Forest Baptist Church. A whole week of intensive prayer and preparation was carried on throughout the church just prior to our revival, and this spirit continues to the present time. The revival, April 30-May 7, was acclaimed one of the greatest in the history of this church. Dr. W. L. Holcomb, pastor, did the preaching, and Ray Dykes, pastor of 41st Avenue Baptist church, Meridian directed the music. There were 58 additions during the revival, 29 by letter and 29 on profession of faith. A total of 83 have come into our membership since Dr. Holcomb's ministry here, which began the middle of January, 1944.—Zadeen Walton.

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BOYS AND GIRLS HELP PAY DEBTS

The offering given by the boys and girls attending the Vacation Bible school at the First Baptist church in Starkville was sent to the Now Club to help pay off the debts in Mississippi. The amount was \$25. The school was a great success. Total enrollment was 153 with average attendance of 126. If the boys and girls in all the Vacation Bible Schools will send offerings on the Now Club, it will be most helpful.—Harold Douglas.

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The annual Vacation Bible School of Walnut Baptist Church, Walnut, was held with an enrollment of 59, and an average attendance of 54. Miss Martha Hicks of Shaw was the able superintendent. Miss Hicks is a tireless worker and much of the credit for the success of the school is hers. Good interest was shown and good results accomplished.—Howard Luna, clerk.

At Parsons, Tenn., the revival was led by J. A. Barnhill of Jackson with O. F. Watts, director of music at the West Laurel church leading the singing. There were eight additions for baptism and 19 by letter.—R. K. Bennett.

At the Collins church, Gerald Riddell, pastor of West Laurel church, was the guest minister with John Watts of the Baptist Bible Institute in charge of the music in a good revival. They make an excellent team. There were four additions on profession of faith and 11 by letter.—Mack Jones, pastor.

The Mars Hill church in Mississippi Association and the Bude church in Adams-Franklin will have a part in the June debt-payment offering, according to S. G. Pope, pastor. These are strong churches, and their cooperation counts.

All the churches under the leadership of W. E. Winstead will cooperate in the June offering, according to news received in the office.

BELHAVEN B. S. U. HOLDS RETREAT

The Baptist Student Union of Belhaven College held its annual spring retreat Monday evening, May 8, in the home of Mrs. W. I. Sharp. The program began at 5 o'clock as the president, Miriam Hollis, brought out the theme of the B. S. U., for the coming year, which is "Workers With Christ" and the key verse, II Corinthians 6:1, "We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain." The devotional was brought by Dewey Bennett, from Mississippi College, who inspired each member of the greater council. Miss Jimmy Reese, secretary of the First Baptist Church of Jackson, explained the difference between the executive council and the greater council. Mrs. Henry Love, also of First Baptist, boosted the enthusiasm of the council, when she brought a message on how to work creatively with Christ. A delicious supper was served on the back lawn, after which a few games were played.

Two of the council members, Mary Gladys Hester and Betty Jane Hammett, gave reports on their trip to the State Spring Retreat, which was held at State College.

Charles Whaley, another guest speaker from Mississippi College, stressed that council members need prayer-mates, and the importance of sharing problems and prayers with another. After this talk, prayer-mates were assigned and short meetings were held. The program was brought to a close by Mrs. S. E. Cranfill of Clinton.—Mary Joe Pettit, Reporter.

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WHAT IS THIS ONE

(Editor's Note: If some churches have been called the 'second mile church' when they gave a special offering, shall we call Bay Springs a FOUR-mile church?)

The Bay Springs Baptist Church and the Sunday School have voted to give all contributions during June to the debt-paying campaign of our denomination, and all are expecting the gifts to go beyond the monthly offerings. The women have not voted at this time as to what they will do, but they have not failed a month to pay on the fund since the beginning of the debt-paying movement. According to Dr. McCall's report our church was 27th in 1943 in gifts to outside causes in Mississippi.—Reporter.

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I shall ever be grateful to a friend who made it possible for me to attend the Southern Baptist Convention. It was the best session I ever attended. I was impressed by the heads of our great training schools for young preachers. They emphasized really fundamental doctrines. With young preachers in the hands of such men we need not fear the future. It would have moved a heart of stone to hear the missionaries from the battlefronts make their reports.—J. M. Walker, Aberdeen, Miss.

The following have been visitors to The Baptist Record office: Annele Horn, Monticello; Rev. D. O. Horn, Monticello; Rev. W. L. Conner, Meridian; Rev. H. Grady Wilkes, Yazoo City; Rev. Hoff, Clinton; Rev. Homer W. Roberson, Lexington; W. G. Mize, Baptist Orphanage, Jackson; Rev. Webb Brame, Yazoo City; Sanford Leroy Stacks, Blue Springs; John F. Measells, Amory; Mrs. Geo. T. Dukes, Clinton; Rev. E. N. Sullivan, Brookhaven, and Rev. H. B. Benson, Terry.



REV. B. S. VAUGHAN
VAUGHAN HAS 26 YEARS OF SERVICE

B. S. Vaughan closes 26 years of faithful service as pastor at the Southside Baptist church in Meridian, on June 4. The church has grown in every way under his loyal and devoted leadership. Brother Vaughan is known and loved not only in his church community but throughout the state and elsewhere. His enthusiasm and sympathy have won for him a host of friends. He came to Southside in June 1918 and left the States in August to serve as chaplain in World War I. He was in the front line trenches at Verdun when the Armistice was signed. Mrs. Vaughan is also greatly beloved in all the work.

At the same time Southside is celebrating the 26th anniversary of Brother Vaughan's pastorate it is also celebrating the 11th anniversary of the church building. This great church was erected free of debt and stands as a memorial to a church run on tithes and offerings. The Sunday School is working for a record attendance this first Sunday in June, as well as every other service of the day. Honorable H. R. Stone, Sr., of Decatur, and formerly of Meridian will bring the message at the morning hour and the pastor will speak in the evening.—Reporter.

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Juniper Grove church has closed one of the best revivals ever held here. The visiting evangelist, Barney Walker, brought messages to win the lost, uplift the fallen and help the discouraged. There were 17 additions, 14 of these upon profession of faith. The baptismal service was held at the lake. Carl Kosanke of Hattiesburg added much to the revival by his musical ministry and messages in song.—Ethel Barnette.

Bay Springs church has closed a fine revival under J. E. Ellis, pastor of the Sherman, Texas, church as guest preacher and Rev. Bryant of Hattiesburg leading the singing. The work of these two was outstanding, and the junior choir was also fine. There were six additions by baptism and three by letter, with the whole membership helped by the meeting.—Reporter.

McKinley Norman, formerly member of the Texas Convention evangelistic force, has entered the general field of evangelism. He resides at 6511 Gaston Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

ALASKAN CHURCH OPENED
By Lawson H. Cooke

(The readers of The Baptist Record have shown great interest in a story we recently printed regarding the new work in Alaska. The item below tells the latest chapter in this thrilling series of events.—Editor.)

Mississippi Baptists will be interested in the following letter from Chaplain Aubrey Halsell, Air Base Chaplain, A P O 729, Seattle, Washington, regarding Baptist work in the new church at Anchorage, Alaska. Chaplain Halsell's letter clearly indicates two things: first, that we have "dug in" in this new territory; second, it indicates the effectiveness of our Brotherhood Journal, and the ready response on the part of the men of our Brotherhoods in this great Baptist adventure. We quote from his letter:

"You will rejoice with us to know that the First Baptist Church, Anchorage, Alaska, is now debt-free. Thanks to the Brotherhoods, money has poured in since the Brotherhood Journal, giving the needs of our missionary endeavor in Alaska, was released from the press. This support has awakened a great mission field for Baptists on this northern frontier. It appears quite likely that five or six Baptist preachers will come to Alaska this year to carry on the great work of spreading the globe-girdling gospel.

Pastor Goes From Louisville

"Our pastor, Bill Petty, a young man from the Louisville Seminary, is due to arrive June 1. We anticipate great things for the glory of God."

Several groups of men from Mississippi answered the call of the Alaskan church. Among these was the Brotherhood of First Baptist Church, Laurel. They received a letter from Chaplain Halsell, from which some items are quoted:

"After many weeks of waiting we secured available material to finish our recently purchased building. We worked every night for a week preceding our opening date. The building was formerly a five room bungalow of a story and a half, in addition to a large basement. The partitions in the dwelling were removed and a small attractive auditorium and six Sunday school rooms have been provided. The walls and ceiling are covered with new celotex. The location is ideal: one block from the school and two blocks from the heart of the business district.

"The first service was held at 7:00 p. m., Sunday 2 January 1944, with 30 present, four additions—three by letter and one by baptism and an offering of \$252.12. The young man who was converted cried with joy and has been telling everyone he was a 'Christian' now. He was seen a few days following reading his Bible and explaining it to a lost man.

"The next week our attendance was up to 37 with one addition and \$144.05 offering. We now have 29 members—we have paid for all materials, supplies, etc., used in opening our building. We have paid \$2,100 on our property which cost us \$5,000, thereby leaving a balance of \$2,900 which we hope to pay this year, and can with the help of God and some additional gifts from the States. Now, three months later, we have had 13 more additions to our church. We have paid off all of our debt except \$1,100."